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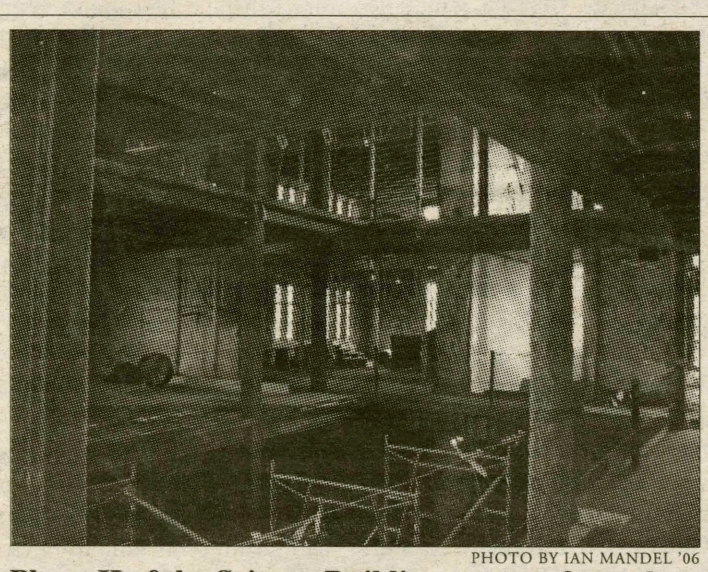

PHOTO BY IAN MANDEL '06

**Phase II of the Science Building, as seen from the inside. The College plans for it to be operational in the fall.**

# DUI sessions now required to register cars on campus

**by Ian Mandel '06**
*EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

All students planning on bringing a car with them to campus for the 2005-2006 academic year will be required to attend one of two lectures by Mark Sterner on Tuesday, May 3. Sterner will present "DUI: A Powerful Lesson," a program that seeks to raise awareness of the dangers of driving while intoxicated.

Sterner gave the same presentation on campus earlier this semester to approximately 20 people. According to Director of Student Activities Lisa Magnarelli '96, who attended the lecture along with Dean of Student Nancy Thompson, the two administrators were so impressed with Sterner that they began the process of bringing him back to speak before a larger audience.

"There's a Hamilton bubble, and people think that bad things can't happen to them, and Mark Sterner shows that anybody can make a wrong decision," Magnarelli said.

Students will not be eligible to register a car for the Fall semester without attending one of the two lectures.

"Campus Safety will be there to take attendance, so that once you attend the presentation, you will be marked off as eligible to register for the park-

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PHOTO BY PHEOBE VICKERS '06

**Students bringing a car to campus must attend a DUI session.**

# *LGBT Task Force completes report*

**by Ian Mandel '06**
*EDIOR-IN-CHIEF*

The LGBT Task Force has completed its report on the campus climate for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students and employees. The 16-page report contains a summary of the Task Force's findings, specifically the results and interpretation of the online survey completed earlier this semester. The report also provides a series of recommendations to improve the quality of life for members of the Hamilton community who identify as LGBT.

"Although most Hamilton students do not find homosexuality offensive or against their personal beliefs and support same-sex unions, many students think Hamilton is not a welcoming environment for individuals of all sexual orientations and harassment based on sexual identity is a problem on campus. Attitudes vary significantly between men and women, freshman and upper class years, and between men in NCAA in athletic teams and other men on campus. In particular, men, freshman, and men in NCAA athletic teams are more likely to take an unfavorable view of homosexuality than their counterparts," Professor of Economics Julio Videras summarized in the report.

The report provides a condensed version of the survey's student results in two tables. The first reveals students' response to the

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# *SI* funds streak of Princeton

**by Kat McGrory '05**
*SENIOR EDITOR*

Move over, swimsuit models. This month, the Hamilton College Varsity Streaking Team is making its *Sports Illustrated* (*SI*) debut.

According to *SI* reporter Adam Duerson, Hamilton's most notorious students will be featured in an upcoming edition of *Sports Illustrated on Campus*, *SI*'s college subsidiary.

"We're really psyched about it," said team member Alex Sweet '05, of the upcoming article. "*Sports Illustrated* is a really big deal."

Duerson accompanied the team on their April 19 away-meet at Princeton University. He, a photographer, and the team traveled together in a *Sports Illustrated*-chartered Winnebago.

"College streaking is everything this magazine is about," said Duerson of *SI on Campus*. "There's an element of athleticism to it, but it's also snarky college humor."

The twenty-plus members of the streaking team are no strangers to national exposure: in addition to being featured in the *New York Times* and by

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# *D'Souza lectures on foreign policy*

**by Katie Stinchfield '07**
*NEWS WRITER*

Former domestic policy analyst Dinesh D'Souza, known for his particularly pro-American viewpoint, was invited by the Levitt Center to speak in the Chapel this past Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. His lecture was based on his latest book "What's So Great About America."

D'Souza spoke about America's relationship with the Middle East and tried to expel criticisms of American aggression and greed. "[America is] simultaneously the most attractive society in the world and the most repulsive. It's magnetically attractive to immigrants, and yet you've got lots of people who hate America," D'Souza said. "I think what's interesting is that some of America's most harsh and articulate opponents live in America, and some inhabit some of our best colleges and universities. What is it about America that stimulates such radically opposite reactions?"

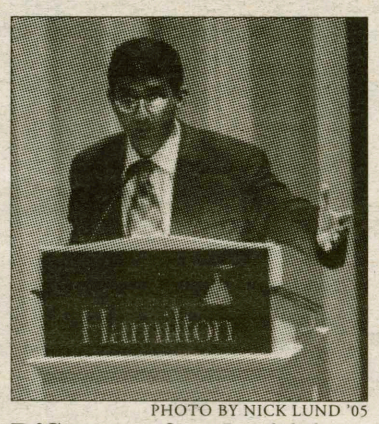


PHOTO BY NICK LUND '05

**D'Souza refuted criticism of U.S. foreign policy.**

D'Souza said his immigra-

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# Take Back the Night draws over 55 to candlelight vigil

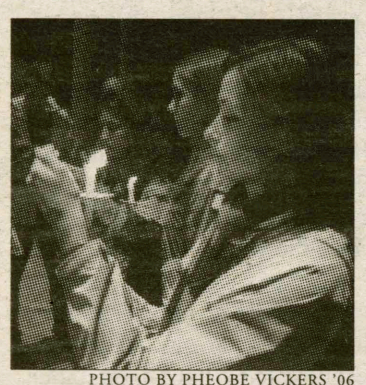

PHOTO BY PHEOBE VICKERS '06

**Students gathered to support sexual assault victims.**

**by Emma Furman '07**
*NEWS EDITOR*

Despite the rainy weather, over 55 students gathered on the steps of the library Wednesday evening to show their support for victims of sexual assault. This candlelight vigil was part of Take Back the Night, an evening of recognition and support for those whose lives have been affected by sexual assault. Take Back the Night is part of Women's Energy week and was organized by Students Against Sexual Assault (SASA) and supported by a variety of organizations on campus including The Womyn's Center, Voices for Planned Parenthood, Student Activities, Gamma Xi, the West Indian African Association, the Hamilton Democrats, the Asian Cultural Society, Rainbow Alliance, the Gospel Choir, Student Assembly and

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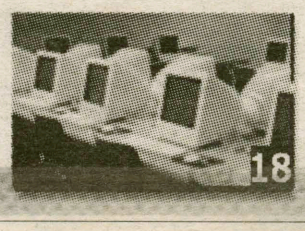


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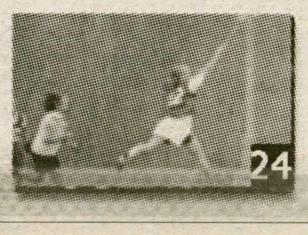

# *RIAA sues another 2 Hamilton students*

**by Emma Furman '07**
*NEWS EDITOR*

Hamilton recently received a subpoena from the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) to release the names of two Hamilton students involved in illegally file sharing copyrighted music. These students are two of about 700 people being sued by the RIAA in this particular lawsuit.

This is the second time that the RIAA has subpoenaed the College this academic year; the first time was in the fall semester for the name of one other student also illegally sharing music. ITS declined to give the names of the students who are currently being sued by the RIAA.

According to Dave Smallen, Vice President for Information Technology, the College has no responsibility to investigate and report students illegally file sharing copyrighted materials. "We don't have any obligations to monitor our network," he stated. However, Smallen added that "because the college runs the network we have certain responsibilities with respect to the people who use the network."

Smallen commented that it is the RIAA, and not the College, that "monitors what's going on on the internet. If they find people illegally downloading materials they can file a lawsuit against those individuals.

In this case, according the Smallen, the RIAA gave Hamilton "identifying information" of the two students caught illegally file sharing in the form of their computers' IP addresses. Smallen explained the function of an IP address: "Each computer on campus has an identifying number."

Through the computers' IP addresses the College is then able

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# D'Souza advocates choosing the "lesser evil" in foreign policy

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tion to the United States from Bombay, India opened up a plethora of opportunities.

"If I had stayed in India I would have lived virtually my whole life within a ten mile radius of where I was born. I would without a doubt have become an engineer like my dad or a doctor like my grandfather, and I would have a whole set of views or opinions that would be easily predicted in advance. My destiny would have been given to me," said D'Souza. "By contrast I find in America I am in a sense the architect of my own destiny. In America your destiny isn't handed to you, it is constructed by you."

"More than any other society America is distinguished by the fact that it gives an amazingly good shot at success to the ordinary guy," he stated. "We live in a country where the maid drives a car. This is a level of abundance that is really quite unique in history."

D'Souza spoke to the major criticisms of America, which he stated as "the criticism of what America does, and the criticism of what America is."

He described American foreign policy as two-faced, using "the noble language of democracy, human rights, and freedom, but in reality it is...driven by the low and narrow engine of self-interest."

D'Souza conceded to this criticism, but stated that acting in one's self-interest is not a negative concept.

"I'm not denying that American foreign policy is based on self-interest: it is and it should be. Everywhere in the world it is assumed that every country acts based on self-interest. American can and should, but being the only superpower, the critics ask, 'Hey America, by protecting your own self-interest are you making the world better or worse?'"

According to D'Souza, the answer to this question is better. "I don't just mean World War II or the Cold War or the first Gulf War, but consider Afghanistan," he said. "America went into Afghanistan after 9/11 for reasons of self-interest, but Afghanistan is and will be a lot better than it was under the Taliban. This is not to say, however, that Afghanistan will be perfect."

D'Souza also spoke to criticism that the United States should act in accordance with the international community.

"Why America? Why not the U.N.? The obvious problem with turning this [situation with Iraq] over to the international community is that the U.N. itself is largely made up of dictatorships of one sort or the other," he stated. "The U.N. can barely impose democracy on the U.N."

Many critics of American foreign policy argue the United States is interfering with national sovereignty in the Middle East. According to D'Souza, America is justified in intervening in such matters because international law does not apply to dictatorships.

"The core principle of sovereignty is based on the fact that the borders of a country are legally and perhaps morally inviolable," he said. "Let's apply tis noble sounding principle to all the sorry dictators who have littered our sad world and ask ourselves how did these guys come to power: through barrel of a gun. What right does Sadam have to rule Iraq? Answer: none. So what is the objection to some third guy stepping across the border and objecting him? None."

D'Souza also argued that critics of American foreign policy have the advantage of hindsight. All political decisions are made without this advantage, thus D'Souza stated that it is unfair to critique leaders based on this lack of knowledge.

Furthermore, American leaders are often faced with two disadvantageous choices. "It is important to apply the key principle of the lesser evil," said D'Souza. "In the real world you are often not choosing between the good guy and the bad guy, but between the bad guy and the really bad guy. You are sometimes justified in allying with the bad guy to get rid of the worse guy."

D'Souza's lecture gave rise to a number of debates, as students posed various questions in response to his hard lined stance. D'Souza energetically answered these questions and criticisms following his lecture.

Tim Nussbaum '07 said, "Many of his viewpoints are very strong. I think he is good at using his ideology to understand what is happening in the world. It was refreshing to hear a conservative viewpoint that wasn't politicized, but rather intelligent based."

# Report finds 34% of students feel Hamilton is not a welcoming environment for students of all sexual orientations

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following question: "Is Hamilton a Welcoming Environment for Students of all Sexual Orientations?"

According to the Report, 25.44% of students responding agreed or strongly agreed; 40.15% were not sure; and 34.41% disagreed or strongly disagreed. Men were nearly twice as likely as women to agree or strongly disagree and students in each class year were less likely to agree or strongly agree than students in the class immediately below.

The second table shows student responses to the following statement: "Harassment Based on One's Perceived or Actual Sexual Identity is a Problem on this Campus."

According to the Report, 54.61% of students agreed or strongly agreed with the statement; 30.92% were not sure; and 14.47% disagreed or strongly disagreed. 62.69% of the members of the classes of 2005, 2006 and 2007 agreed or strongly agreed with the statement compared to only 34.51% of first-years.

Associate Dean of the Faculty Kirk Pillow, who chaired the Task Force, attributed this discrepancy to the length of time students spend at Hamilton.

"I do think that a lot of it has to do with maturation. The longer that a person is in a context in which they're exposed to people of different ethnicities, backgrounds, and sexual identities, the more tolerant you're likely to become and the more likely you're to see harassing behavior as a real problem," he said.

In addition to the significant difference between first-years and upperclassmen, female students were more likely to agree or strongly agree that harassment is a problem at Hamilton than male students were. According to the Report, 58.73% of women agreed or strongly agreed, while 48.12% of men agreed or strongly agreed.

As Videras noted in his synopsis of the results, male NCAA student athletes were less likely to view harassment of LGBT students as a problem on campus than any other demographic. Only 31.71% of male athletes agreed or strongly agreed, compared to 55.71% of male non-athletes and 54.61% of the entire sample.

"We generally thought that what we found regarding the range of student attitudes on campus was very encouraging and that the attitudes that we discovered in particular among intercollegiate male athletes were less encouraging," Pillow said.

After listing the Task Force's findings, the Report lists 19 recommendations for improving the quality of life and overall experience of LGBT students at Hamilton.

One recommendation that, according to Pillow, has already been implemented is the redefinition of the assistant dean of students for multicultural affairs position. Pillow asserted that the position will become the associate dean for diversity and accessibility and will be responsible for dealing with LGBT issues.

The College is currently seeking candidates to fill the new position.

"We're looking for a candidate who can serve the needs of students of color, students with disabilities and LGBT students," Pillow said.

The Report also recommends that opposite-sex students be given the option of rooming together.

"A wider range of housing opportunities for students who are figuring out their sexual identity can be really beneficial, and we didn't restrict those recommendations to gay or lesbian students," Pillow said, emphasizing that the Task Force concluded that this option should be open to students who are unsure about their sexual orientation.

To address the attitudes of male student athletes, the Task Force recommends that the Department of Athletics add diversity training to the seasonal orientation of student athletes.

"The respect rightly felt by athletes for their coaches places coaches in a unique position to influence their athletes for the better," the Report states. "By leading student athletes towards greater appreciation of sexual difference as a feature of the human person the Department of Athletics has the opportunity greatly to enhance the social experience of and campus climate for all Hamilton students."

To increase the resources available on campus, the Report recommends the establishment of a LGBTQ Resource Center to be staffed by a part-time student director.

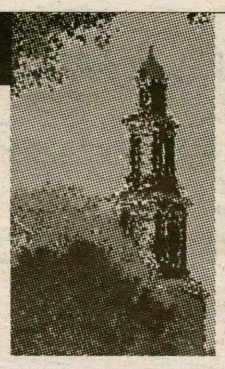
"Such a Center would effectively institutionalize some resources currently provided by the Rainbow Alliance, but with the part-time staffing and space needed to provide services for LGBTQ students beyond the scope of what Rainbow Alliance can accomplish," the Report states.

Other recommendations included the creation of a safe-zone program; redesigning of the College website to include diversity concerns, including a page of resource materials for LGBT students; encouraging the faculty to develop a sexuality studies curriculum; and the adoption of a harassment web reporting tool.

The Task Force was formed earlier this semester by Dean of Students Nancy Thompson. According to Pillow, Thompson will review the recommendations and determine which ones will be implemented. He asserted, however, that Thompson believes that many of the recommendations can be implemented quickly.

The Task Force hopes to reconvene in the spring of 2006 to evaluate the effectiveness of any changes made by the accepted recommendations.

## IVORY TOWERS



### THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

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### Bush to Deliver 2 Commencement Addresses

WASHINGTON (AP) -- President Bush will deliver commencement addresses at Calvin College and the U.S. Naval Academy next month, the White House said Thursday.

Bush has been maintaining the tradition of rotating between the military service academies. This year, he will go to Annapolis for the Naval Academy's May 27 graduation, White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.

The president gives his first graduation speech this year on May 21, before Calvin College students in Grand Rapids, Mich.

### Calif. College Students March Over Cuts

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) -- College students marched and rallied at campuses across the state and held a mock funeral Wednesday on the steps of the state Capitol to protest cuts in higher education funding.

The event, organized by leaders in all three of California's public higher education systems, was timed to coincide with a legislative hearing on education finances.

"Years and years of successive budget cuts have made it harder and harder for Californians to achieve the educational opportunity that they deserve and that made California strong," said Jennifer Lilla, a student at UC San Francisco and president of UC's student association.

The protest drew students from the 10-campus University of California as well as the 23-campus California State University system and the community college system, which serves 2.5 million students.

UC student fees have increased about 60 percent over the past decade, to about $6,700 for a student with a full-time class load.

CSU, which has 400,000 students and is the nation's largest four-year public university system, also saw a 60 percent fee increase over the period, to about $3,100. Community colleges, once free, now charge $26 a unit.

The fee hikes are part of a six-year pact worked out last year between the CSU and UC systems and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger. Universities agreed to make cuts and raise fees in exchange for increases in funding starting this year.

In New York, meanwhile, another campus protest was held - this one demanding that Columbia and Yale universities recognize unions of graduate teaching and research assistants.

The academic assistants at both universities have been striking since Monday.

The National Labor Relations Board ruled last year that graduate students at private universities are students, not workers, and cannot form unions. To win union recognition, universities would have to voluntarily grant it, which they have refused to do.

### Study: 1 in 5 Teens Tried Painkillers

NEW YORK (AP) -- About one in five teenagers have tried prescription painkillers such as Vicodin and OxyContin to get high, with the pill-popping members of "Generation Rx" often raiding their parents' medicine cabinets, according to a study by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America.

The 17th annual study on teen drug abuse, released Thursday, found that more teens had abused a prescription painkiller in 2004 than Ecstasy, cocaine, crack or LSD. One in 11 teens had abused over-the-counter products such as cough medicine, the study reported.

"For the first time, our national study finds that today's teens are more likely to have abused a prescription painkiller to get high than they are to have experimented with a variety of illegal drugs," said Partnership Chairman Roy Bostock. "In other words, Generation Rx has arrived."

According to the study, the most popular prescription drug abused by teens was Vicodin, with 18 percent - or about 4.3 million youths - reporting they had used it to get high. OxyContin and drugs for attention-deficit disorder such as Ritalin/Adderall followed with one in 10 teens reporting they had tried them.

## WORLD NEWS

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### New Pope Keeps Vatican Hierarchy Intact

VATICAN CITY (AP) -- Pope Benedict XVI reinforced his caretaker image Thursday, reappointing the entire Vatican hierarchy chosen by his populist predecessor, John Paul II. At the same time, the new pontiff sought to dispel any impression that he was aloof or dour.

He waved and smiled at crowds gathered along the short stretch between the Vatican gates and his old apartment, where he spent some time in the afternoon. "Viva il papa!" some shouted. The pope, dressed all in white, raised both hands in a greeting.

His schedule also shows hints of the openness and symbolic gestures that were at the heart of John Paul II's reign: a meeting with journalists Saturday, an outdoor Mass to formally take the papal throne Sunday and a visit Monday to a church built over the tomb of St. Paul - an apostle who carries deep significance for Roman Catholics and Christian Orthodox.

The Vatican even unveiled new e-mail addresses for Benedict, following an innovation started by John Paul.

In the first days of his papacy, the 78-year-old Benedict has projected two clear styles.

One was expected: the confident and well-prepared Vatican insider who was one of John Paul's closest advisers for more than two decades. His decisions on the top-level posts came quickly - some popes have struggled for weeks - and showed continuity with his predecessor.

Benedict was reported to have told cardinals shortly after he was elected that his papacy would be a short reign.

There were no changes in any major Vatican office all the way up to the No. 2 slot, the secretary of state, Cardinal Angelo Sodano. The only question remains who will fill the powerful job that the new pope held since 1981: overseeing church doctrine and punishing those who stray.

### U.S. Says Annan Isn't Exonerated

UNITED NATIONS (AP) -- A U.S. State Department official said Thursday that an interim report on bribery and other wrongdoing in the U.N. oil-for-food program didn't exonerate Kofi Annan as the secretary-general had proclaimed.

The statement from Mark Lagon, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, was the first time the United States had rebutted Annan's claim, made shortly after the release of the report on March 29, that he had been cleared by the committee.

Annan came under fresh scrutiny a day after The Associated Press reported that two senior investigators with the Independent Inquiry Committee resigned because they believed the report that cleared the secretary-general of meddling in the $64 billion program was too soft on him.

Lagon said the resignations were further reason to suggest Annan wasn't cleared.

"It appears that two people who had a hand in forming that report think that even what the report said was perhaps a little too charitable about the secretary general and his leadership," Lagon said.

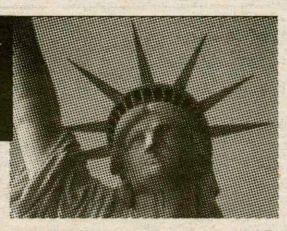
The committee led by former U.S. Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker faulted Annan's management of the oil-for-food program, which was set up to help ordinary Iraqis cope with crippling U.N. sanctions imposed on Saddam Hussein's regime after his 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

The report did clear Annan of interfering in the awarding of a $10 million-a-year U.N. contract to the Swiss employer of his son, Kojo Annan. But it also said Kofi Annan didn't sufficiently investigate possible conflicts of interest surrounding the contract.

"We aren't calling for the resignation of the secretary-general, however it is probably an exaggeration to suggest that the Volcker report exonerated the secretary-general," Lagon said.Prison Abuse Scandal

Volcker's committee is investigating allegations of widespread fraud in the program, which ran from 1996-2003 and was meant to help ordinary Iraqis suffering under U.N. sanctions.

## NATIONAL NEWS



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### Survey: Few in GOP Back Plan to Stop Dems

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Private Republican polling shows scant support for a plan to stop minority Democrats from blocking judicial nominees, officials said Thursday, as two of President Bush's most controversial appointments advanced toward a possible Senate confrontation.

These officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said a recent survey taken for Senate Republicans showed 37 percent support for the GOP plan to deny Democrats the ability to filibuster judicial nominees, while 51 percent oppose.

Additionally, the survey indicated only about 20 percent of Americans believe the Republican statement that Bush is the first president in history whose court appointees have been subjected to a filibuster, a tactic in which opponents can prevent a vote unless supporters gain 60 votes. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity, noting the survey data has not been made public.

Coincidentally, the polling was presented to GOP aides a few hours after the Senate Judiciary Committee voted along party lines to send the nominations of Texas judge Priscilla Owen and California judge Janice Rogers Brown to the full Senate for confirmation. Bush picked Owen for the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans and Brown for the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in the District of Columbia.

Democrats filibustered the nominations in 2003, preventing a final vote on both. Bush resubmitted the names when the new Congress convened following last fall's elections.

Conservatives have signaled they hope Majority Leader Bill Frist will use either Brown or Owen - or both - as the trigger for a confrontation with Democrats.

"We have now the vehicle. We have two qualified women. They have met every test," said Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas.

Republicans are "doing this as a prelude to setting up the greatest constitutional crisis that the Senate has faced," said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

Republicans have sent mixed signals in recent days about their plans for forcing a confrontation, and it was not clear how the polling data would affect their plans.

Several officials who attended the polling briefing said the survey contained encouraging news for Republicans. The poll found more than 80 percent of those surveyed believed all judicial nominees deserve a yes-or-not vote. Additionally, a majority believed Democrats were acting out of partisanship in blocking Bush's appointees, rather than attempting to protect minority rights.

### Wendy's Closes Internal Investigation, Finds No Link Between Finger in Chili and Its Operations

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Fast-food giant Wendy's ended its internal investigation of how a well-manicured finger wound up in a bowl of chili - declaring it found no credible link between the digit and the restaurant chain.

San Jose police will continue their investigation, the restaurant said in a brief statement.

Ohio-based Wendy's International Inc. maintains the 1 1/2-inch-long finger tip did not get into the chili in its ingredients. All the employees at the San Jose store were found to have all their fingers, and no suppliers reported any hand or finger injuries, the company said.

Anna Ayala told police she found the finger in her chili March 22 while eating at a Wendy's in San Jose. Health officials say it was apparently a woman's finger, because of the long, manicured nail.

The Las Vegas woman claimed she intended to sue but relented, claiming the publicity was too emotionally taxing. Court records show Ayala has a history of making claims against corporations, including a former employer, General Motors and another fast-food restaurant.

Ayala did not immediately return a call for comment.

San Jose police have investigated a number of tips regarding the finger's origin, and spokesman Enrique Garcia said police are still getting new ones, although he said, "I don't know what leads they are getting."

# Sterner to present DUI lecture

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ing lottery," Magnarelli said.

The requirement will be evaluated to determine its impact and if alternative programming would be more beneficial.

"We are certainly going to request feedback from the people who attend the presentation, and if people think it's worthwhile and meaningful then we'll look to continue,"

Magnarelli said. "I think we'll always look for other ways to educate the campus. We are recognizing a need, and if this doesn't meet our needs then we'll look at other options."

Magnarelli hopes that requiring students to attend Sterner's presentation will have an impact on the decisions they make.

"I hope that people walk away understanding that it could happen to them and they are not immune to the danger," she said. "I hope people walk away thinking twice before they make that choice."

Magnarelli presented the idea of bringing Sterner to speak on campus to the Alcohol Coalition for consideration. According to Magnarelli, the Alcohol Coalition acknowledged that the College doesn't do much with DWI education and thought a presentation by Sterner would be a "great way to start."

According to Magnarelli, the process of creating this plan was in place before the late-night Jitney drivers went on strike in late February.

Sterner works for Campus Speak, an agency that provides educational speakers and programs for college campuses and organizations. His presentation focuses around his own personal experiences.

While in college, he was behind the wheel of a car carrying three of his best friends and fraternity brothers while on spring break in Florida. The vehicle crashed, killing all three passengers. Sterner spent three years in prison after being convicted of three counts of felony manslaughter. He now visits colleges and universities across the country to tell his story.

Sterner will present in Wellin Hall at 4:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3. Students not in attendance will not be able to register for the parking lottery.

Students studying off campus this semester will have the opportunity to attend an alternative program upon returning to campus in the fall. Magnarelli encouraged any students with questions to contact her or Director of Campus Safety Patricia Ingalls.

# *Streaking Team wraps up farewell season with Princeton streak*

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Fox News, the team premiered its documentary "Buff and Blue" this February.

Hamilton's streakers can also be found among the pages of this May's *GQ*.

Upon hearing that *Sports Illustrated* was interested in their story, the team planned a special away meet at Princeton. Hamilton viewed the Princeton's team – formed this fall in reaction to the Hamilton team – as its primary competition.

"We had always planned to go to Princeton, but we never really knew when to do it," said Sweet. "So when *Sports Illustrated* showed interest in our team, it encouraged us to get the streak together."

According to Pete Holzaepfel '05, the Princeton streak was a success.

"It was a huge victory," said Holzaepfel. "And after this streak, there is no doubt about it: we are the number one team in the nation."

The streak even impressed former Princeton streaker Scott Webel '06.

"All I can say is that Hamilton is a good team," said Webel, a co-founder of the Princeton squad. "But hey, they started the sport. It makes sense that they would know how to do it best."

Sadly, Webel was not able to join in the streak. The Princeton Varsity Streaking Team disbanded on Thursday, May 14, citing concerns from the Administration.

The streaking team article will hit college campuses next week. Although *Sports Illustrated on Campus* is not distributed to Hamilton, Duerson intends to distribute copies to members of the streaking team.

But don't expect to see too much more streaking on Hamilton's campus.

According to Holzaepfel, the streaking team's run has finally come to an end.

"We feel like we've maxed out, so its time that we retire," he said. "What we know as the Streaking Team is done for good, although Hamilton can expect to see a few, well-calculated streaks every now and then."

# SASA has been working to raise awareness about and prevent sexual assault on campus

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Delta Upsilon.

The vigil, which was mainly a silent demonstration of support and unification for victims of sexual assault, was held at 9:30 p.m. and was concluded by SASA President Lindsey Crusan '06, who read a poem written by a rape survivor.

According to Crusan, the candlelight vigil had not been a part of Take Back the Night for quite some time until spring semester of last year. This was the third vigil that accompanied Take Back the Night.

"This past fall we actually had about 100 people at the candlelight vigil," said Crusan. "We felt it was a huge success."

She expressed some concern over the effect the bad weather might have on the vigil's turnout. However, she quickly added that "any number of people that come out to show their support is more than I can ask for."

Crusan also stressed that this night was designed for all students to participate in and show their support, not just those who are victims of sexual assault.

A speak out was held in KJ's Red Pit following the vigil where students gathered to show support and share stories of how sexual assault has affected them. According to Crusan, the speak out is "more of a personal and emotional time" than the vigil.

"We sit around and we share out stories about how sexual assault has affected out lives and the lives of those that we love," she went on to say.

Around 25 people attended the speak out this year.

"Last spring we had 50 people at the speak out," said Crusan, "but that was a pretty rare occurrence."

Although sexual assault is still a large problem on Hamilton's campus, progress has been made in raising awareness in the past few years. Crusan and others have worked hard to ensure that the administration, as well as students, no longer denies the occurrence of sexual assault on campus.

Raising awareness and putting a stop to sexual assault "is not the kind of thing that happens overnight," Crusan wanted to stress as well.

But "especially in the last two years the administration has started to take us more seriously," she went on to say.

She referred to the speech Dean of Students Nancy Thompson made at Freshmen Orientation this year, in which Thompson told freshmen that sexual assault happens on every college campus, including Hamilton's. Crusan added that hearing the administration recognize that the problem was a reality like that "was one of the most amazing moments that I've experienced here."

Crusan commented further on the progress that SASA has made in raising awareness and getting students involved in uniting against sexual assault, saying that "in the past two years we've made such incredibly progress," in a variety of different ways including "reaching out to everyone" and getting other groups on campus to "co-sponsor events," such as this year's Take Back the Night.

"I do feel like as a campus we're starting to get a little more comfortable starting to talk about this kind of stuff," added Crusan.

To become more involved in SASA or preventing sexual assault on campus, contact Lindsey Crusan at lcrusan@hamilton.edu.

# *File sharing programs endanger computer operating systems*

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to find out the students' names, addresses and telephone numbers and turn them over to the RIAA.

"Downloading copyrighted material without paying for it or getting clearance is just a violation of the law," commented Smallen concerning the College's stance on illegal file sharing. "Our advice to people is don't violate the law."

However, he did explain that some forms of downloading are legal when using materials that are not copyrighted. A variety of different programs are used to download materials from the internet. Common programs include KaZaA, Gnutella, Morpheus and AudioGalaxy, which are generally used to illegally download copyrighted movies and music.

Smallen warned that aside from risking legal action, student also put their computers as risk for viruses and spywear when they illegally download materials.

"Another sidelight of these programs is that they typically will introduce spywear onto your machine," explained Smallen. "We've seen a regular stream of students [at the ITS helpdesk] whose machines have become so dysfunctional that they can't even use them." Smallen also warned that many students have had their entire hard drives severely damanged or even erased by such viruses and spywear.

A group of students, called the Student Computer Security Taskforce, has recently started working together with ITS to help educate students about file sharing and dowloading.

According to Smallen, the group did a survey of students this spring and is attempting to put together a program to help educate students.

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## The Spectator

"Older than the New York Times"

If you are planning on bringing a car to campus next fall, you will be required to attend a DUI educational session this May. Mark Sterner will be giving the presentation based on his own experiences with drunk driving. A college student on spring break with his friends, Sterner, the least intoxicated of his three friends, decided to drive, resulting in the death of all three. Considering that over 17,000 people die each year in alcohol-related traffic accidents, and that the number of college-age drunk drivers averages several million each year, according to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, it is to everyone's benefit that we students take an hour out of our busy schedules to hear one more reason not to drink and drive.

It's inconceivable to think that anyone on the Hamilton campus doesn't know that driving while intoxicated is both dangerous and illegal. With that said, it's not hard to imagine a situation where after consuming a few alcoholic beverages, one is faced with the decision of whether or not to drive home. Maybe you don't feel intoxicated, maybe the drive home isn't very far, and maybe there are a bunch of friends relying on you for their trip back to campus - in reality, the choice to drink and drive isn't all that inconceivable.

Realizing that drinking and driving is much easier to do than most are capable of admitting in advance is part of the solution. We are all capable of making mistakes, but some mistakes are much bigger than others. This is exactly why having one more reason not to drink and drive is entirely necessary. The more ingrained and personalized the arguments for not drinking and driving are, the more likely we all are not to take the wheel after a few beers.

Understandably, events like this are often met with skepticism and malaise on the part of students. As such, let us take this opportunity to implore students to take this presentation seriously. If you don't think drunk driving happens at places like Hamilton, think back to November of 2000 when four Colgate students died in a tragic accident involving alcohol. It can happen here, too. It may not sound like much, but if this presentation has an influence on just one person, that may be all the difference.


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# Insights & Ideas

## Agreeing to Disagree: to pop or not to pop

### The pros:

**by Nonyelum Chizea '08**
*INSIGHTS & IDEAS CONTRIBUTOR*

The popped collar: just like any other fashion trend.

When I was about five years old in Nigeria, I remember my Father wearing polo shirts and gently popping his collar. I thought this was a very sleek and snazzy look. It wasn't long before my sister and I began doing the same. Eventually, I began noticing more people walking around with the "popped collar look." The people I saw wore all sorts of colors from pastel pink to dark purple.

The popping of the collar became a way of life for me. I would wear my school uniform with the collar popped in England.

When I came to the States years later I continued to pop my collar, but instead of making a fashion statement, I became the centre of much ridicule from my peers. I was appalled because I always knew I looked exceptionally hot with my popped collar and mini-skirts! I was called preppy.

Hah! I told those trend haters, "I have been rocking this look for years." So I continued popping my collar. It takes a confident person to know what's fashionable and what's not ... and don't worry, I have it covered.

On afternoon, I was watching a very old jungle safari movie about English Imperialists in Africa. One of the characters decided it was getting too hot so he popped his collar to avoid sunburn on the back of his neck. The other characters in the movie did the same thing too. As the movie progressed, the servants or slaves did the same.

I thought to myself, maybe this is how the 'Popped Collar" originated and eventually carried on as a fashion trend. Its useful to pop all sorts of times: say, when golfing or lounging in the sun for example (as was the case with our English Imperalist friends).

Now-a-days, people who pop their collars are labeled as 'Preppy.'

What is Preppy? As far as I am concerned, popping the collar is just like any other fashion statement out there. I am quite sure that people who like wearing fishnets do not get poked fun of (most of the time). If you like dressing a certain way, there is no need for people to belittle or talk smack about that fashion statement.

Fashion is a way of expressing oneself and setting trends that people decide to follow as they appeal to them.

To everyone who pops their collar: go ahead! Pop that collar! Pop it with pride! Pop it with love! Pop it with a sense of self! If anyone gives you crap about it, look them in the eye, politely check your collar and walk away knowing you're sexier than they are anyway.

### The cons:

**by Gabriel Kraphnammer '07**
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Meningitis is one of the most contagious diseases known to man, and its effects are traumatizing. Scientists and researchers, over the years, have dedicated their time and effort to prevent further spread of the disease among college campuses. A similar situation is occurring with the collars of university students all across the nation, yet nobody has raised a finger in protest of this travesty. The trend of wearing one's collar up has infested colleges more rapidly than listening to Dave Matthews Band, having long hair, or wearing flips flops, which, according to scientific research, are common symptoms associated with flipping up the collar.

When I walk into a store and look at the shirts on display, I see a great variety. Many colors, many sizes, and many designs line the walls and racks. However, there is one common bond that these shirts share: the collars are all DOWN. They have been this way as long as I can remember. Now, I'm not a betting man, but I believe there is good reasoning behind this. Allow me to explain.

Wearing the collar up is practical...if you are in a blizzard and are particularly susceptible to wind burn. If you are attempting to hide a hickey from that girl that sits beside you in sociology that you finally got with and you are not shamelessly displaying it as proof that you can get some tail every so often, then yes, it also makes sense. If you cut yourself shaving your neck and it looks disgusting...well if your neck hair is so bad that you need to shave it you should probably look into online classes and avoid all human contact. However, if you are walking to class on a sunny day and there is only a slight breeze, there is no logical reason why you should have your collar up. So why, one might wonder, would anyone do this to themselves?

"It's a statement," says 19 year-old Deane of NYU. "It shows that I have a sense of style and that I have enough courage and confidence to dress as I wish, to be an individual." Now, our friend Deane might believe this with all of his heart. But our friend Deane might also fail out within the next year from too many keg stands, bong hits, and STDs.

It is indeed a statement, like wearing an "I'm with stupid" shirt or having an iron cross tattooed on your shoulder. But you don't need style to wear your collar up. Rather, all you need, besides the Dave cds, long hair, and flip flops, is a firm sense of ignorance, both of practicality and of common sense. Collars are designed to cover the necktie, not the neck. Wearing your collar up does not take confidence; it takes arrogance. Attention can be drawn to yourself in other ways. It is not a display of individuality; two-thirds of the campus is doing it right along with you.

The fad was started by Count Dracula. Count Dracula was a vampire. If you don't suck the blood of the living at night and sleep in a coffin during the day, you are not a vampire. Hence, you have no reason to flip up your collar.

This article was written to help you, the reader. It is intended to prevent you from experiencing any unnecessary embarrassment, whether by staring and pointing, rude jokes, or people talking behind your back. It is also intended to save you from unnecessary chaffing of the neck. However, if you have read all of my arguments and still feel the urge to pop the collar up, go for it. There's nothing sexier than someone who's completely comfortable with his metrosexuality.

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## *Prospective students take over the universe day*

**by Britten Chase '05**
*INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR*

If anything, this week was very reaffirming as to why each and every one of us chose to come to a place like Hamilton.

It also makes you wonder how you would ever manage at a school that had more than twelve people attending it. The influx of prospectives (aaah) and parents (aaaaah!) was more than most people could stand. Word on the street (Martin's way) was that there were over 400 gazillion people coming to look at Hamilton this past week.

Bringing the campus population all the way up to 400 gazillion and twelve.

Seriously though, I don't know how those kids who go to real (not pretend) colleges do it. Schools like North Carolina or Michigan or something like that? Strangers everywhere. I would start to twitch.

While Accepted Students Take Over the Universe Day did not bring life to a halt, it did put a cramp in our style. Countless students found themselves trying vainly to get from one side of campus to the other. But it was as if it was a crowd of people assigned to be in your way no matter what you did. Even if you faked left and went right, they were still there. From Tuesday morning until Wednesday afternoon, it seemed as if we were all in the college decision process all over again. No matter where we went, it seemed like we were in a tour.

And what do you do when you are trapped by a tour? With no escape? Sometimes I try to be nice and smile at folks when I walk past. If I'm late to a class, then I do my best to smile/not run anyone over. Because selecting a college is a very shallow process and chances are if a trying-not-to-fail government major slightly disturbs your universe in any way, shape, or form, you're off to Colby. And let's face it, we need these kids. This is the smartest class ever to try to get into Hamilton. Ever. Not since...last class have we had a class so bright.

Which brings me to another question: Are Hamilton students getting infinitely smarter?

Discuss.

Even in spite of your evil self planning out countless pranks, you find yourself being especially nice to the pre-frosh. You want to make them want to come here. You hold doors (for the parents), you kind of watch what you talk about while you're taking your third tour of the day. And if you pass prospectives on the way to the gym you try to look really intense.

So...why do we care so much? We went through the college process. We got in. We came, we saw, we conquered, we napped. Why do we host them, amuse them, bring them to our classes even though they inevitably fall asleep?

Maybe because we've been there. The whole college admissions process sucks, and while it's hard to rate which is actually the worst part of the process, actually choosing the college has to rank pretty highly. April becomes an all out war with the parents. It wasn't fun, so maybe we are nice to these kids out of total sympathy.

Maybe it's because we want them to think we're cool. How could anyone not think we're cool? If prospectives decide not to come here, it's obviously because they are way out of their league.

Can't touch this.

Or, maybe it's because we really do care about Hamilton and want everyone else to have what we have found here.

Maybe.

One thing is for sure. When it comes down to it, Admissions can get 'em here, Bon Appetit can feed 'em, The Buffers can entertain 'em, but no one sells Hamilton better than we do. And hey, in spite of everything that happened this year, there were more prospectives here than ever before in the history of the universe. So that must say something about us.

S o m e t h i n g . . . y o u know...that's good.

**The end of the year is swiftly approaching!**
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# Letters to the editor

To the Editor:

*The Spectator's* article last week on Chronic Wasting Disease adopted the language of Assistant Director of Grounds Terry Hawkridge in repeatedly using the term "harvest" to describe the killing of deer to test them for CWD. The long history of the word 'harvest' lies in the reaping and gathering of crops, and the season in which this occurs. The Oxford English Dictionary makes no mention of livestock or animals as the product of a harvest, or killing animals as the action of harvesting.

The idea of killing animals as "harvesting" is a relatively recent development. It is, obviously, a euphemism with a clear ideological intent. The people who adopt the word "harvest" when they mean kill, cull, slaughter, or hunt, do so to hide and deflect the reality they are describing. Hunters employ the word because they worry that non-hunters object to the idea that they kill, in part, for sport, and because the word connotes something proper and pleasing, the innocence of actual harvests. Moreover, it strongly implies righteousness and dominion; one harvests what one has sown or has a right to take. Using 'harvest' in place of 'hunt' or 'kill' is usually an attempt to forestall debate about the legitimacy of that killing.

For all these reasons, the use of the term "harvesting" to describe the killing of deer to test them for CWD is incorrect and objectionable. There is absolutely no sense in which these deer were "harvested." They were not even being eaten, which one would think would be a minimum requirement even for the euphemistic use of the word. They were shot and killed, and their brains tested, for a disease of no apparent threat to anyone but the deer themselves (and thus to the sport and industry of hunting).

To its credit, The Spectator article revealed that there are indeed troubling issues lurking behind the seemingly benign idea of "harvesting" deer. The quotations it offered by Mr. Hawkridge show that he views CWD as an opportunity to cull the deer herd, to make the campus safer for traffic and plants. If the deer population is posing serious problems for the College, which is not self-evident, there are surely better ways of controlling them than under the guise of CWD testing. Also problematic was Mr. Hawkridge's apparent offer to the DEC to shoot a coyote on campus. Since canines have never been known to have the disease, and killing one or a few would offer no statistically relevant information, the offer appears to have been made with the hope of reducing coyote population. I'm disturbed that killing coyotes is apparently seen by Mr. Hawkridge and/or the College as an end in itself.

Mr. Hawkridge's statements appear to suggest an ad hoc attitude to wildlife and its management. They undermine the credibility of the College's participation in the CWD testing program, and claims it might have to rational and humane stewardship of its land and wildlife.

Sincerely,
Onno Oerlemans
Department of English

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To the Editor:

Alumni around the country, even those as far away as Tucson, Arizona, where I live, were very troubled by the recent Rosenberg and Churchill affairs. The obvious question asked by many who have been away from the Hill for years or even decades was, "What's happened to my College?" This is a complex question because it not only expresses concern but a degree of ownership as well. Hamilton was not just a place where we resided for four years while some level of knowledge was imparted. For most of us, it was the genesis of life long learning, the making of equally long friendships, the acquisition or enhancement of skills in writing and speaking clearly and the embrace of a proud honor code. That's "my College" and I'm both angry and upset when academic rigor, honor and integrity in speech and writing are not observed. That's why hundreds of us have written or called to express our feelings about the invitations to a convicted felon and a dishonest demagogue.

President Joan Hinde Stewart responded to my letters of concern with an invitation for a one-on one meeting regarding the issues surrounding Susan Rosenberg and Ward Churchill. That discussion was open, frank and most enjoyable. President Stewart gave me the opportunity to expand on my earlier correspondence and the purpose of this article is to share my thoughts with a student audience as well.

President Stewart inherited a situation in which many alumni already harbored negative feelings created during the Tobin presidency. These feelings related to the loss of the fraternity houses, a record of plagiarism on the part of Tobin and the existence of a toadying Board of Trustees. Into this mix were added Rosenberg and Churchill. Despite protests to the contrary, the issues surrounding these two individuals did not involve freedom of speech. The core of the matter is what is suitable for young, malleable minds. The College needs to provide exposure to intellectually sound, honest ideas over the entire spectrum of thought. In my mind, neither Rosenberg nor Churchill met this criterion. If the desire is diversity of irresponsible thought and behavior, the College could have invited Irene (notorious brothel operator in Utica), muggers or drug dealers and the financial outlay would have been much less. Churchill and Rosenberg belong in the same category of inappropriateness for a Hamilton platform. At all times those responsible for such invitations need to keep in mind, "what is the message we are sending to the students?".

Throughout all of this there was a regrettable lack of administrative oversight of faculty actions. I do not believe that as a result President Stewart should "fall on her sword', but I do think she needs to accept responsibility for what happened on her watch. This acceptance of responsibility includes an apology to the College and to the alumni body for the shame and disgrace which the head of the Kirkland Project has brought to the College. The proposed review of that project is long overdue and is most welcome. The College has a fine record of bringing outside speakers on campus and it is hoped that Rosenberg and Churchill were aberrations traceable to the flawed leadership of the Kirkland Project.

I believe that President Stewart shares and cherishes the traditional Hamilton values of honor, integrity and academic rigor. Although she is in part a victim of the dreadful Tobin legacy, she has "a steady hand on the helm" and deserves our support.

Robert A. Scala, '53

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To The Editor:

Senator hilary Clinton wants to be president of the United States. Real men will not vote for Ms. Clinton who would be their Commander in Chief. men deeply resent being led by a woman especilly an arrogant female, asserts this former New York psychiatric system psychologist. Men as fathers and family patriarchs particularly reject Ms. Clinton's passionate advocacy that a pregnant woman has the exclusive "choice" to terminate by abortion the life of their unborn child whose gender they determine.

America must no longer be governed by Ms. Clinton and the amoral, secular politicians who have made this nation "a house divided." Jesus predicted that a divided nation "will not stand."

Ms. Clinton et al reject the premise that leadership is determined by biological gender. All of biology demonstrates that males are active-agressive and females are passive respondents. Ms. Clinton and company have perverted gender determined roles in order to obtain political power and leadership positions. In pursuing these goals, Ms. Clinton has made more moral compromises than her male counterparts. Ms. Clinton and her masculine female associates have abandoned their femininity in their relentless pursuit of their egocentric objective. As skirts and dresses slow down the worldly aggressive woman such as Ms. Clinton, pants have become the standard clothing attire for them. Soon they will wear white pants when marrying their emotionally castrated spouse.

Before the politicians of the American Revolt of 1776 siezed governmental power, Alexander Hamilton included, American colonists were goverened by a Christian king who was sacramentally consecrated by a bishop. America must be goverend by a holy Christian king and a submissive queen. Political government now being taken over by a masculinized woman is morally bankrupt and biologically perverted. Let the king be consecrated by the bishop of Rome, the Pope.

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## Drawing Criticism

by Tom Booth '06

# Choices: the prospective student's plight

**by Bill Chenevert '09**
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Ahh jeese. Hamilton's so cool. It's everything I expect college to be like. Sun. Fun. Frisbee. Sunbathing. Pretty girls in so little clothes. That dorm South is the sweetest. I can't wait to get there and become part of the whole scene.

Sup, I'm Bill. I'm sitting here in my room in Fairfield, CT. Typing on the sweet powerbook my mom and stepdad got for me for Christmas this year. It's for when I come to Hamilton. My roommates are going to be so mad jealous. I just got back from my accepted student open house and sleepover. I thought I'd write in and say hey, your school rocks.

It's down to you guys, Union, Colgate and Colby. But so far, Hamilton's the coolest for sure. There was this mad cute preppy girl on my tour and we definitely worked a vibe or something. And there were so many people everywhere, out and about! People at Hamilton sure seem to have a lot of time on their hands. Being able to lay around and throw Frisbee all day and all. I gotta figure out what those kids playing out in front of South are taking for classes.

I hear there are no requirements, which is so sweet cuz I can just jack off and take Art classes and Philosophy classes and stuff.

I didn't do too hot on my SATs, though, but I hear they're optional here so even better.

I was intrigued by the style that's going on with you guys. I don't know if I've ever seen so many polos in my life. And damn! Those cars! Do I have to have a sweet one like you guys do to survive at Hamilton? I'll work on my mom and dad for something good.

Now, I'm not a huge smoker, but, I know what 4/20 is about. All I'll say is you guys know how to party. I was smelling it all day, everywhere I went.

I hear you guys have frats and sororities. I'm definitely interested. But, I saw lots of guys in really weird clothes and sometimes large groups of guys and girls running in a super hurry. What's that all about? Do people really get hazed there?

Oh and I saw you guys in the news like on Fox and stuff lately - the streaking team and this Ward Churchill. It sounds outrageous, and I want in. I want my school to be totally weird like that. What kind of commitment comes along with joining the streaking team, though? I don't want to endanger my academics. I'm gonna be a doctor or a stock broker or something, so, I have to have a tight GPA.

Commons was pretty bomb too, you guys. So many options, and you can eat as much as you want. I don't think I could ever get tired of that place.

My host was mad cool. He was pledging something, he wouldn't tell me. But I got to play mad Xbox and him and his buddies got me pretty drunk. I learned all these cool drinking games. I killed in beirut.

Well I'm pretty sure I'm comin. So keep doing things like you're doing them and hopefully everything will be as awesome as my visit was. Later.

# *Rethinking Churchill*

**by Pete Tucker '03**
*INSIGHTS & IDEAS CONTRIBUTOR*

It is the job of colleges and universities to be defenders of free speech. In the case of Ward Churchill last month Hamilton's president offered security as a reason (excuse) why Hamilton couldn't live up to its responsibility. Hamilton has had many speakers who were security risks and their lectures were not canceled... but then Bill O'Reilly, Governors (Pataki - NY and Owens - CO) and scores of businessmen alumni didn't raise hell about them. When push came to shove, Hamilton allowed itself to be pushed by an impressive array of important people and in doing so it shoved its responsibility to be a guardian of free speech.

This is a shame because it puts Hamilton in very poor company. There are two ways to support free speech. One is to support a person's right to speak when you agree with them. And history offers plenty of examples of leaders who defended free speech in this way. Extreme examples include leaders such as Stalin and Sadaam who were staunch defenders of free speech when they agreed with the speaker.

There is another way to support free speech. And that is to support a person's right to speak not only when you agree with them, but more importantly when you disagree, dislike, or abhor what is being said. Defending free speech in this way does not put one in the company of the aforementioned tyrants. Instead it puts one in the company of the founding fathers who deemed such a right important enough to make it the very first amendment to the Constitution.

Somehow President Stewart doesn't get the importance of the first amendment. Fortunately students at Florida Gulf Coast University do. Gulf Coast University students rose up and protested when the scheduled speaker, author Terry Tempest Williams, was told that she could speak only on the condition that she sign a waiver stating that she wouldn't criticize President Bush in her remarks. Williams refused. When the students got wind of this they organized (from the College Republicans, to the College Democrats, to the Model UN) to have Williams come and speak at a student-sponsored event.

Hamilton students may want to take it upon themselves to follow the lead of the Florida Gulf Coast University students. An invitation could be extended to Professor Churchill on behalf of the students. This event could be a really awesome protest on behalf of the first amendment. There's no reason why those opposed to the first amendment should get the last word. At least not at Hamilton.

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# Thumbs up

**-DU's takeover of Milbank: Frats 1, ResLife 0**

**-ATX skirt week**

**-Waking up Wednesday with a 17 year old prospective student**

**-Gin and Juice...see ya next year DKE**

**-The return of Tuesday Boozday: the most fun AD and TDX have had together without a mirror**

# Thumbs down

**-Mother nature planning a week of rain to let us know this week's weather was a fluke**

**-Your amazing summer internship: I hope you can make a mean cup of coffee.**

**-The massive number of townies at the VT: don't they know we don't mix with the help?**

***by Jesse Gaylord '06 and Jason Thomas '06***

# Who cares?

**-The baseball team: at least people notice the football team sucks**

**-Who you hooked up with last weekend...anything makes us jealous**

**-The dip platter for snack yesterday. We haven't forgotten about the chicken fried steak last week**

**-Women's energy week...how much energy do you need to bake a cake?**

# Features

## *Athari to sponsor Spring Fling*

**by Annie Bowler '08**
*FEATURES CONTRIBUTOR*

As the weather warms and the days grow longer, the excitement of summer vacation begins to appear. Few people are more excited about summer recess than elementary school students. After a long winter of playing indoors, kids at Clinton Elementary school students are ready to have some fun in the sun. Hamilton College service group, Athari, is giving them the opportunity to do just that.

Athari, a group of eight Hamilton Students lead by sophomore Meghan Moulton, will be traveling to Jija Uganda this summer to help small primary schools in Uganda. They are working with non-profit group, Soft Power Education, to help fix up the school houses and assist the teachers.

Since the groups creation earlier this semester, Moulton has been working on ideas to connect the Clinton community to the project. She and other group members have found their vehicle in the students of Clinton Elementary School.

"Since I have been spending so much time at the school, I thought it would be a great event to get the kids excited about our trip," Moulton said.

The Athari group distributed 400 flyers to the children of the elementary school, and are expecting a large turnout for the event. Because the group is looking to raise funds to assist their trip, the Spring Fling event will cost each child $15 to participate.

Children will come to Hamilton on Saturday April 30th in two shifts. The first from 9-12 and the later from 1-4. Once on campus they will participate in a variety of events from a slip and slide to a slime competitions. Moulton says of the activities, "I tried to think of games that the kids would enjoy and that are different from everyday stuff".

The woman's ice hockey team along with other Hamilton Students will be on site to help out with the day's festivities. A safari time will put the activity on track with the African theme.

As the summer quickly approaches, the Athari group is gearing up for their trip. The students have spent the entire semester putting the student-run service trip together, and all, particularly Moulton, are excited to see it materialize at the end of May.

In addition to helping the local communities of Jinja, the group's goal is to raise awareness and sensitivity for cultural issues in developing countries such as Uganda. Northern Uganda has long been involved in a conflict resulting in the abduction and criminalizing of children.

The Athari group hopes to bring an understanding of these problem to the Hamilton campus and the Clinton community. The Spring Fling not only provides the children with a day of outdoor fun, but also exposes them to concept of service. The Athari group has been working with the third grade class throughout the semester in hopes of showing them what its like to be a school child in Africa.

As Hamilton students gear up for finals, and the lure of procrastination increases, nostalgia for elementary school days follows closely behind. What one would give to trade their laptop and papers for the innocent fun of water balloon fights and super soakers.

On Saturday April 30th, Spring Fling will provide just that opportunity. If you are interested in helping out, contact mmoulton@hamilton.edu.

PHOTO BY NICK LUND '05

**On Monday April 18, two Navajo Code Talkers told their story to the Hamilton community in the College Chapel. These heroes of World War II discussed the difficulties they faced as Navajos serving in the U.S. military. The lecture was part of the Voices of Color Lecture Series and was sponsored by the President's Office.**

## Scholar discusses Lithuania

**by Kristy Hague '05**
*FEATURES WRITER*

Last Monday, Fulbright scholar Irmina Matonyte, a sociologist from Vytautas Magnus University in Lithuania, lectured on Lithuania's transition from a communist nation into a member of the European community.

Over the course of its almost thousand year history, Lithuania has struggled with shaky relationships with its neighbors. When Lithuania was part of the communist bloc, it was the leader of the nationalist movement among the Baltic countries. After the Soviet empire dissolved, however, Lithuania sought more peaceful alliances with its border countries in order to gain admittance into international politics.

Currently, Lithuania awaits entrance into the European Union (EU) and the North American Trade Organization (NATO). These two international organizations are Lithuania's political priorities. The Lithuanian elite, otherwise known as the members of the Lithuanian parliament, are accepting invitations to important political forums and pushing to adopt democratic institutions in order to hasten their entrance into NATO and the EU.

Matonyte cited some specific examples of Lithuania adopting new domestic policy in order to speed their entrance into international organizations. For example, Lithuania has put a moratorium on the death penalty since 1993 because of the EU's human rights policy. In addition, the country has given women equal rights to men in holding political office and changed its car insurance laws. Matonyte noted that any domestic reform would be quickly passed by the Lithuanian parliament if it facilitates entry into NATO or the EU. "The EU is like a password to get things done on the political stage," said Matonyte. "It highlights our willingness and desire to integrate with the EU."

While Lithuania stands on the brink of acceptance in the EU, it is still striving for acceptance into NATO. To this end, Lithuania has adopted some unpopular domestic policies to win the favor of the United States. For instance, Lithuania has thrown its support behind the war in Iraq although the country cannot offer a lot in terms of troops, it means a great deal symbolically.

Matonyte noted that this frantic desire to enter the international political stage has created problematic representations in the media. While the media will openly attack and criticize domestic issues, the media remains overwhelmingly supportive of Lithunia's international policies that support the United States and the EU. This poor media representation leads to the distribution of misinformation. "The schizophrenic state of different priorities and tensions between the EU and the United States puts things in a very sensitive state," said Matonyte. Lithuania's economic and social policy is now being regulated by international organizations, like the EU and NATO.

Matonyte concluded her talk by noting that a lack of education in western languages and computer technology puts Lithuania at a severe disadvantage to act on an international stage. Happily, she observed that the next generation of Lithuanian leaders has expressed a strong desire to learn western languages and computer skills paving the way for a Lithuanian presence in international politics.

**Rick Perlstien to present lecture "Hell in the City of Angels: The Watts Riot of August 1965 and the End of the Liberal Consensus"**

Prize-winning historian and journalist Rick Perlstein will deliver a talk entitled "Hell in the City of Angels: The Watts Riot of August, 1965, and the End of the Liberal Consensus," at 4:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, in the Red Pit in the Kirner-Johnson building at Hamilton College. His talk is sponsored by the department of history and the American Studies program and is free and open to the public.

Rick Perlstein is author of "Before the Strom; Barry Goldwater and the Unmaking of the American Consensus," winner of the 2001 Los Angeles Times Book Award for history. He is also the former chief national correspondent for the *Village Voice*, for which he covered the 2004 presidential election. He will soon be publishing a pamphlet about what the lessons of the rise of conservatism provide for the Democratic Party, "The Stock Ticker and the Superjumbo: How the Democrats can once again become America's Dominant Political Party."

His talk on April 26th will be drawn from a longer work in progress, "Nixonland: The Politics of the American Berserk, 1965-1972," the sequel to "Before the Storm."

# Features Special: Housing Lottery 2005

# Best and worst dorms at Hamilton

**Compiled by Michelle Butler '06**
*FEATURES WRITER*

## *Best dorms at Hamilton*

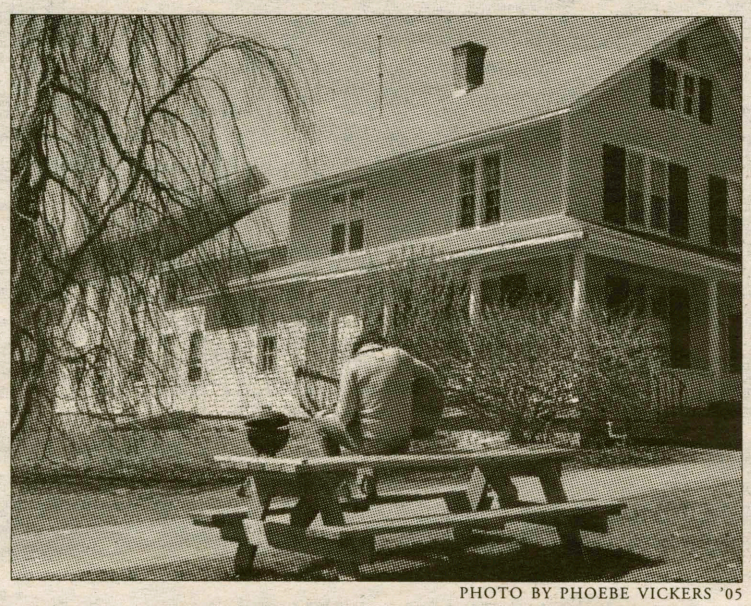


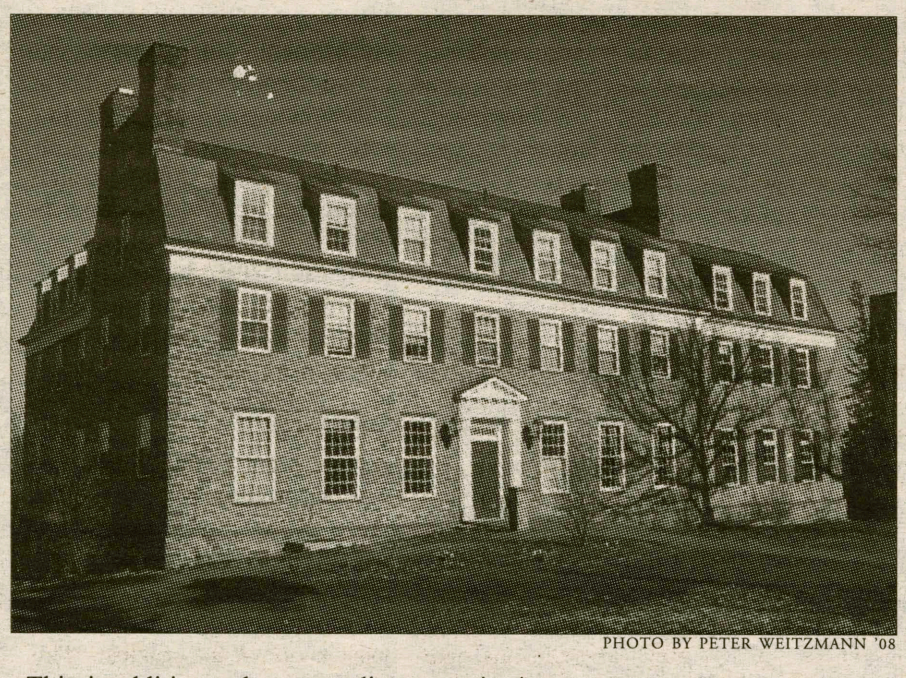
PHOTO BY PHOEBE VICKERS '05

**The Farmhouse**
"I chose to live in the farmhouse because of its central location on campus - I don't have to walk more than five minutes in any direction to get anywhere on campus. I also wanted to live here because there is no RA and because essentially I would be living in an apartment. We have a front porch, which is AWESOME! Additional benefits are being able to see whether or not the pub is crowded, we can have the after-pub-hours party in our house, and we don't have to wrap our food for carryout from the diner. A huge benefit is the fact that everyone passes the farmhouse, or close to it, on a daily basis. This means that people are constantly stopping in to see what's up, even if just in between classes. Also, we are able to see the Jitney stop and the buses for parties from our front porch so we don't have to wait outside in the cold until they come."- *Axtell Arnold '06*

**Griffin Road Apartments**
"Why G-Road is great:
1. A kitchen to cook dinner/have dinner parties/dates (avoids the usual commons/McEwen/diner); 2. Griffin Road is a fabulous place to live when the weather is nice because you have your own porch and a HUGE backyard. You can also eat dinner outside, BBQ, play badminton, crochet and all those outdoorsy, country club games; 3. A big common area so that you have options as to where to watch TV, eat, do work or even take a nap rather than being stuck in a small single; 4. Fun people ; 5. It's right across from the golf cours; 6. The walk to the main campus is downhill instead of uphill; 7. More independence!"
*-Lexi Buscaglia '05*

**Eells**
"Eells, where to begin? Maybe it's the breathtaking architecture, maybe the awe-inspiring views of the Mohawk Valley, maybe it's the stunning pre-Revolutionary era dining room, maybe it's the courteous...nay, loving janitorial staff, maybe its the hardwood floors or the chandeliers. There are so many reasons to enjoy living in Eells, how can one even count? Not to mention the fact that Eells is a mere hop, skip, and jump away from the Athletic Center, the L-I-B, and comcom. Eells puts the light in "Light Side." *-Andy Kurz '06*

**Ferguson**
"I wanted to live in a double and the rooms are so great in Ferg. A lot of them have their own bathrooms too which is a plus. It also has a great location: nearby a parking lot, the library and the sports fields. It's just a great place and really nice for senior year."
*-Polly Noble '06*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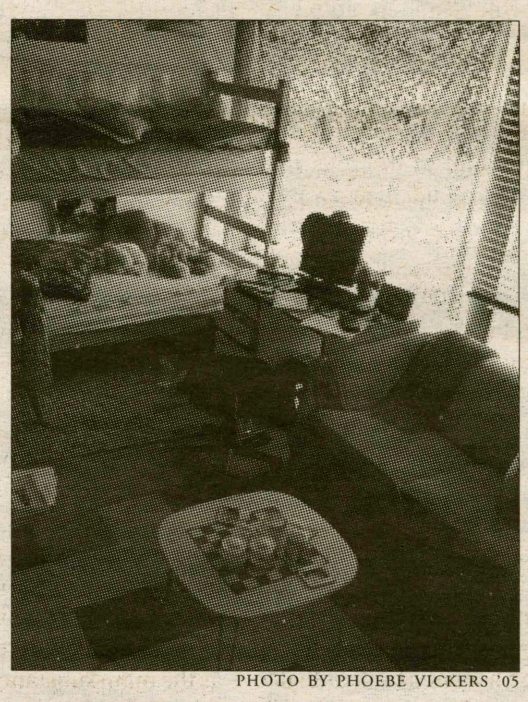
**Rogers Estate**
Residents of Rogers Estate are drawn there because of the fact that all meals except lunch are provided in their own kitchen and dining room. Rogers offers singles, doubles, and triple, as well as their own library, living room, lounge, and laundry area. This, in addition to the extraordinary scenic views and a lot of privacy, makes Rogers extremely appealing. If you really want to be away from the main campus, but don't want to or can't make the move downtown, Rogers is a great option. - *Michelle Butler '06*

## *Worst dorms at Hamilton*

**Kirkland**
"Personally, I can't say that I'm too fond of it- the first floor has very few freshmen and the hall is segmented. However, because the dorm is so small, people do tend to become very good friends with each other. As for the dorm itself-its pretty old and it shows in the rooms and bathrooms- especially when you see other dorms, like North, in their renovated state. The rooms are also pretty small for what they are- the freshman quads are a lot smaller than Dunham for instance...Of course freshman dorms aren't typically pristine, but from my visits around campus I would say Kirkland is one of the least ideal dorms to live in."
*-Maggie Noonan '08*

**Bundy**
"I definitely like being able to live with a group of my friends on my hallway but also being able to have my privacy in my room since Bundy is mostly singles. The worst part about Bundy would be the bathrooms, which have no ventilation and can get very dirty and almost not livable on the weekends. Bundy is a great sophomore year experience. The doubles can be a little tight. I would say the best advice would be to be ready for an intense living experience with your friends. Being down the hill and seeing the same group of people all the time can get very overwhelming."- *Marisa Rosenthal '07*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**Milbank (living in a double)**
"I really don't have any problems with my Milbank double. Frank and I have a really nice set up, as we lofted both our beds and put 2 futons in. Maybe it's smaller than other doubles on campus, although I know that the Bundy ones are smaller. They're also in suites, which is nice because of the common rooms and the fact that you live close to your friends. Frank says that if he liked his roommate he'd really enjoy it." Not to mention that Milbank has one of the highest damage bills...Milbank late-night can get a little rowdy..."
*-Ian Chambers '07*

**Major/Minor**
"Likes: easy to do work in your room and have a sense of privacy (esp. with quiet housing in Major), being near Opus, living near the suites, friendly hallmate. Dislikes: walk to the light side can be annoying, weekends suck with McEwen closed, no one ever wants to walk to the darkside. Overall, I'd say the darkside is a good option for anyone who wants to feel a little removed from the main quad and wants a little more quiet. It works out better if you have a group of friends who also live on the darkside, or know people in the suites. It's probably a good option a rising sophomore with a low #...that's actually how I ended up there. The singles are decent sized - I've heard Bundy singles are bigger, but the suites are smaller." *-Tracy Zaino '06*

## Obscure Find:

**3 College Hill Road**
"I love 3 College Hill Rd. I have a double to myself, a huge room, hardwood floors, washer and dryer, full kitchen including a dishwasher and a massive amount of space. The only downfall is the fact that it is down the hill, but there is something nice about being able to be removed from the rest of campus at the end of the day, a feeling that is impossible to have living in a dorm." *-Cate West '06*

# Features Special: Housing Lottery 2005

## Let's be honest with ourselves here, people.

### What can your housing lottery number can actually get you

**by Kate Mayhew '05**
*FEATURES WRITER*

The New York Lottery Jackpot is now at 205 million dollars. A pittance to the likes of Bill Gates and 50 Cent, 205 million dollars would provide quite the comfort blanket to any college student-or to Micronesia, which has a Gross Domestic Product of about the same amount. Your chances of winning, however, are roughly 1 in 3.5 million-not exactly a likelihood. (And Micronesia, don't hold your breath.)

For the less adventurous however, Hamilton's annual housing lottery combines the high-stakes appeal of the New York Lottery with the absolute and unshakeable terror of knowing that your living space lies in the hands (or gigabytes, as it were) of a computer system. Being a Senior and currently having no need for the system myself, I have no problem reminiscing fondly about those few dramatic weeks between the division and conquer of Hamilton's campus.

This year's housing lottery, a drastic change from the previous years, digitalized a process that many of us had come to dread. We were informed in advance of the day on which our numbers would be randomly issued to us and placed in our mailboxes. Particularly as freshmen, this number becomes your ticket to either the seemingly glamorous single in Bundy or the tent on Dunham quad.

Says freshmen Jen Sadowsky: "My number is 454...you can't get much worse than that." Jen managed to escape homelessness however, by latching onto a more fortunate friend-do not underestimate the power of networking come lotto season.

Your enemies become your friends, and in some cases, vice-versa. Jen's friend, an attractive number 39, is willing to pull her into either a double in a suite, or two attached singles down in that sophomore resort area known as Bundy.

A select number of lucky freshmen may also opt for the Substance-Free Housing Lottery-in fact, it appears that chem-free housing has become a hot commodity. Freshmen Kristy Colombine entered the Substance-Free Housing Lottery this year with the number 130 and was then, re-issued the number 63. Able to procure housing on the third floor of Macintosh, Kristy claims that all freshmen were not so lucky. "My friend Katya had number 108 in the Sub-free Lottery and didn't get a room. Her real number was 444 and luckily, she found a senior to pull her and another friend who didn't get into Sub-free housing either," Columbine exlained.

Freshmen Amanda Iturbe managed to secure a single in Macintosh 311 through the Substance-Free Lottery as well, entering with number 244 in the freshmen class. Approximately 30 to 40 students who signed up for Sub-Free Housing were denied and forced to take their chances at the regular lottery. "It seems hypocritical that this school, with its "emphasis" on fixing the drinking problem wouldn't provide sufficient Sub-free housing for all who wanted it," Columbine noted.

Moving up the housing hierarchy, we arrive at the sophomores, who can play it far cooler than the year before. Sophomore Tyler Zink, whose number 19 puts him at a very comfortable position in the lottery, was still able to ride the number of an upperclassman, who plans to pull him into Carnegie.

His fellow fraternity brother, Junior Erik Goulding hopes to pull a double in Eells with his number, 178. Says Goulding: "Being a rising senior and a member of a fraternity, my lotto number is not necessarily my own. It belongs to the fraternity and helps to pull in younger brothers who would otherwise be residentially screwed."

And what about the rising seniors, the current juniors, the kids with the keys to the castle? About the only thing wracking the nerves of these Lotto pros is what scent of Softsoap to use in their private bathrooms.

Junior Genevieve Davis received number 199 in the Jjunior class; upon taking her number to the Block Lottery however, she received number 1 and had first choice of the suites. Of Davis' choice to pull her friends into Suite 19, she says: "Nineteen's on the first floor, so we don't have to worry about losing our keys-we can always use the windows. It has its own bathroom, and it's on the end so we can be naked whenever we want."

And so, if you find yourself at the Housing lottery, feeling a bit like a dog marking its territory, fret not. Despite what you may have heard, everyone will have a hydrant to call their own. Some hydrants may be nicer and newer than others; their plumbing may function a bit better, and their location may be far more convenient for grabbing a meal-but once you've marked your spot, it becomes your own. And if my horribly-crafted and weak metaphor has not improved your outlook on the housing lottery, just remember: your odds still beat 1 in 3.5 million.

## *Many big changes for housing lotto '05*

**by Danielle Sclafani '08**
*FEATURES WRITER*

With the housing lottery only days away, it seems like it is all people can talk about. In Commons, on the way to class, in the dorm, the housing lottery monopolizes conversations everywhere.

But such is understood—this year there have been many changes and additions to the lottery,the most substantial of which being the renovation of the former DKE fraternity house, now named Wertimer House.

Travis Hill and Nancy Perkins, Housing Lottery Coordinators assure students that the renovation to the Wertimer House, which began this fall, will be completed sometime toward the beginning of the summer. The building has been completely renovated, and an addition has been built onto it to make the dorm about double the size of the original building.

The dorm has 21 doubles and 1 single available to students in the lottery, with the majority of the doubles about 12' x 17'. No additional parking will be added, but a small lot behind the building and the slightly larger lot on the side that Skendandoa and Wally Johnson residents use as well is available for residents.

Perkins and Hill speculate that Wertimer House will likely be a wonderful place to live. In addition to lots of lounge space for students to use to socialize and study, Wertimer's rooms are supposedly very nice, and the building's exterior quite attractive. Also, while not on the main campus, Wertimer is hardly in total seclusion; students will be living with a substantial proportion of the college population-all the residents of Wally J, Skendandoa, and the Bundys—very close by.

However, Perkins and Hill comment that students are often skeptical of newly renovated housing, and it is likely that rooms in Wertimer will go slowly, especially since the rooms are mainly doubles and are not as appealing to upperclassmen. "The Wertimer House will probably go a bit slower the first year, and then after the second year we can get a better sense of when it is most likely to go in the lottery," Perkins and Hill stated.

Res Life noted a stark increase in the number of students interested in substance-free house. In order to accommodate students' requests, Woollcott and the third floor of Macintosh will be substance free housing for the 2005-2006 academic year.

Woolcott will replace North as the main substance free building. "Woollcott was chosen for substance free housing because we were looking to adjust the number of first year spaces available in substance free areas due to a reduction in interest. North offered over 70 first year spaces, and we ultimately ended up housing first year students in substance free environments that did not want to live a substance free lifestyle," Hill explained.

"Woollcott provided a similar number of upperclass spaces and would hopefully lead to a more enjoyable substance free experience for the students who really buy into that lifestyle without being impacted by first years who were not interested in this environment."

ResLife added the 3rd floor of McIntosh as additional subfree housing to accommodate upper-classmen requests. This location was chosen for several reasons. As it is a top floor, ResLife anticipates it will be relatively easy to keep a separation of substance free and non-substance free environments when housing both in one building. ResLife also felt it was important to cater to the needs of the substance free population without significantly reducing any appealing housing options for those students participating in the General Lottery who want to live on the dark-side.

All substance-free freshmen will be living in doubles in Root.

This year, the "pulls" have primarily remained the same, with the only significant exceptions being that the Major faculty apartment. This room will house a faculty member and will not be available to students. Instead another apartment, Milbank 10, has been added. This will make two singles and two doubles available as a 6 pull in the General Lottery. ResLife is currently housed in Milbank 10 this year but will be moving to Milbank suite 16 next year. In addition, Bundy East 114 & 116, Milbank 16a & 16b (2 pull) and Milbank 16c & 16d (2 pull) are no longer available; Bundy West 222 & 224 will now be 224 & 226 (men only); and Ferguson 200 (double) & 202 (double)- (4 pull), Ferguson 201 (double) & 203 (double)- (4 pull) are now available.

Overall, Perkins and Hill feel that putting the lottery numbers online went over without any serious problems, however, they say, "though we do not have a wealth of experience with other institutions' lotteries, we would be willing to argue that our process is one of the craziest. This likely being due to the multiple living options and the varying cultures associated with living in one building over another. Where you live is important here, or so we are told. Just remember that all housing is good housing!"

There are definitely changes in store in the years to come. Perkins and Hill say, "In the future there is a strong likelihood that we will be moving to a First Year Housing system. What buildings this will include is still to be determined, but whatever they may be it will impact the housing lottery greatly."

In addition, "the Dunham basement will be renovated this summer. All the singles will be done away with, which were only a few to begin with, and the entire basement will house first years next year." Though they are not certain what other buildings might be renovated, Perkins and Hill say, "The College always has plans for renovations of facilities, but priorities are shifted frequently due to budget concerns and need. Kirkland is always on our radar as an area of need, so we will continue to bring that to the table."

"This is a stressful process for everyone involved and we want students to be happy with their rooms. At the same time, it is important for everyone to be realistic about what housing they are likely to get and to understand that we have to create a process that is fair to everyone, Hill and Perkins advised. "We hope all students recognize that we are doing our best and looking out for the good of the larger Hamilton community," ResLife explained. "Please give us the benefit of the doubt, and we will do the same for you."

# Wong-Wilson discusses Hawaii, past and present

**By Rebecca Grusky '06**
*FEATURES CONTRIBUTOR*

Noe Noe Wong-Wilson, a Hawaiian native and educator, delivered a lecture at Hamilton entitled "Hawai'i: Contested Terrain" on Thursday, April 14. Wong-Wilson works for the Kohala Center, an organization that assists Cornell University with its semester abroad program in Hawaii.

Wong-Wilson began her lecture with a Hawaiian chant, inviting several students who worked with her during their semester in Hawaii to the podium to chant along with her. The purpose of Wong-Wilson's lecture was to lay out some of the public policy issues that have been faced by Hawaiians throughout history and then discuss how these issues are still relevant today.

Wong-Wilson began with a brief history of Hawaii. The problems began in 1778 when Captain James Cook "discovered" Hawaii. Wong-Wilson discussed the arrival of Christian missionaries in 1820, and the native Hawaiian population collapse - by the mid-1800s, native Hawaiians made up less than half the population residing in the Hawaiian Islands. Some of the missionaries' goals included setting up schools, developing a writing system for the Hawaiians, translating the Bible and creating a newspaper. She showed us a picture of the first Hawaiian newspaper; the front page article tried to explain a buffalo to the Hawaiians.

The missionaries also tried to change many aspects of Hawaiian culture, such as the practice of having multiple partners and wearing little clothing in warm weather. In Hawaiian royalty, the brother and sister relationship was considered sacred, and women were impregnated by only the highest royalty in order to "maintain the race." However, the missionaries tried to eliminate this practice from Hawaiian culture. Many Hawaiians accepted the missionaries' new Christian philosophy because no matter how many offering they made to their Gods, their people kept dying, so they were desperate to save their population.

She also discussed land division, explaining that everything but one percent of Hawaiian land went to the Commoner. Losing their land and having no choice but to submit to the new domineering political power, many Hawaiians became sugar mill workers. The Hawaiian culture and their means of economic security were thus damaged by the new system.

Hawaii was made a territory of the U.S. in 1897; however, the annexation occurred illegally. In 1950, Hawaii was recognized as the 50th state. The social and economic stress endured by Hawaiians during the past 150 to 200 years was significant; in fact, President Clinton signed the Apology Resolution in 1993, which expressed regret for the U.S. overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom in 1893. Clinton also proposed the Akaka Bill in 2000 with Senator Daniel Akaka (D-Hawaii), which recognized the political status of native Hawaiians and gave them more control over their rights and resources. However, the bill still faces much opposition from Hawaiian natives who believe the bill does not grant them the degree of independence they deserve, as well as from members of Congress.

After her discussion of Hawaiian history, Wong-Wilson went on to discuss environmental concerns. Coastal development, especially as a result of tourism, has led to massive shoreline erosion, and the area is also affected by global warming. Shoreline development has severely affected the fishing industry as well as infringed upon forest rights for native healing practices.

Wong-Wilson also spoke about economic concerns in Hawaii. Offshore investment has significantly increased the real estate value in Hawaii. The amount of poverty among native Hawaiians is extraordinary: the average family income is less than $28,000.

As a result, Hawaiians have become very dependent on tourism, even though it helps perpetuate the cycle of poverty and prevents Hawaiians from once again becoming self-sufficient. Although resorts and golf courses employ local people, chemical runoff from land pollutes the shorelines. Many private Hawaiian lands are now used for military training areas and sacred places destroyed to build military roads. This contradicts the spiritual belief of native Hawaiians that we must respect the land and all living creatures.

Lastly, Wong-Wilson discussed the amount of ethnic and racial diversity in Hawaii as a result of immigration. The first group to immigrate to Hawaii in large numbers was the Chinese. They were attracted by sugar plantations and the private ownership system, as they had access to land, water and cheap labor. However, after the Chinese Exclusion Act, the Japanese came to Hawaii, mostly as contract labor immigrants receiving a low minimum wage.

The Chinese who stayed in Hawaii were generally men who would marry native Hawaiian women so that they had access to the land to grow crops. Many Japanese also stayed and become part of the community. People of mixed ethnicities and races now populate most of Hawaii. The most prevalent races are Chinese, Hawaiian, Portuguese and Phillipino.

The recent Hawaiian Homestead Rehabilitation Act made lands available to those who are even just a small part Native Hawaiian. Native Hawaiian - with a capital "N" - usually refers to those who are less than 50 percent Hawaiian, while native Hawaiian - with a lower case "n" - refers to those who are greater than 50 percent Hawaiian.

Wong-Wilson concluded her lecture by emphasizing that Hawaiians are still suffering from cultural deprivation and poverty. Therefore, it is important that we pay attention to improving the environment, learn about the rich history of Hawaii and try to influence public policies that affect the social and economic status of native Hawaiians.

# *WHCL 88.7 Radio Show Spotlight*

**The Pull of Instant Gratification**
John Champagne and Clayton Hofer
Monday, 2-3 p.m., Genre: Ex-Post-Modern Electronic Hybridity
Most-Played Bands
1. *En Vogue*
2. *Aphex Twin*
3. *Boards of Canada*
4. *Lauryn Hill*
5. *Avalanches*

From the Horse's Mouth: The Pull isn't about the Listener, it's about itunes party shuffle
If this show was a piece of fruit, it would be...a coconut: The show is hairy and milk saturated
You should listen to this show if...you think foreign countries are best experienced through Google Images(tm)

**Songs of Our Youth**
Alan Clark and Blake Erb
Wednesday, 8-9 p.m., Genre: 90's
Most-Played Songs:
1. *Living Color- Cult of Personality*
2. *Spacehog- In the Meantime*
3. *Fiona Apple- Criminal*
4. *Warren G and Nate Dogg- Regulators*
5. *Boys II Men- Motownphilly*

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You should listen to this show if...you were bron between 1900 and 1990

**Morrissey Fan Club**
Liz Gilliams and Meggie Morrissey
Friday, 12-2, Genre: Contemporary flava with a tendency to rock
Most-Played Bands:
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2. *Neutral Milk Hotel*
3. *Magnetic Fields*
4. *Chemical Brothers*

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If this show was a piece of fruit it would be...a kumquat: sour on the inside, edible sweet appeal on the outside.
You should listen to this show if...you enjoy hip beats from David Bowie to the Beastie Boys, yeah!

**Berman and Parker Do Dope**
Andrew Berman and Justin Parker
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## This week: commodities

**by Tim Foley '06**
*BUSINESS & ECONOMICS EDITOR*

Throughout the year, many types of investments have been mentioned in this column, including stocks, bonds, collectibles and mutual funds. One area which hasn't received much attention is investment in commodities. A commodity can basically be defined as any physical good traded in large quantities with little to no difference in quality between producers. For those in Economics courses wondering why the system of perfect competition is even taught, next to currency markets, the commodities markets are very close to the assumptions of classical economics.

Commodities can be broken down into four main categories; energy, metals, livestock and agricultural. The most popular energy commodities are crude oil, heating oil, natural gas, heating gas, unleaded gasoline and propane. Metal, or "hard" commodities include gold, silver, platinum, copper and aluminum. Lean hogs, pork bellies, live cattle and feeder cattle compose the bulk of livestock commodities. Agricultural, or "soft" commodities are generally those goods sent straight to the market after harvest and include wheat, sugar, soy beans, soy bean oil, soy bean meal, rice, oats, cocoa, corn and cotton. Commodities which don't exactly fit into one of these categories are orange juice, butter, cheddar cheese, lumber and milk. If you don't have a truck full of any of these commodities, have no fear. There are several ways to profit from the fluctuations in commodity prices.

The most popular commodity investment is known as a future contract. Future contracts, or "futures" for short, represent an agreement to buy or sell a fixed amount of a commodity on a fixed future date for a fixed price. The physical amount of the commodity in the contract is referred to as the "contract size." The date on which the commodity is to be bought or sold is called the "contract month." A market for futures contracts exists for virtually all commodities. Some futures have a large size and some are very small. For example, a single cotton future is usually for a few thousand pounds of cotton, while gold futures represent just a single ounce of gold. Contract months are usually spread throughout the year, and are contingent on seasonal changes in quantity produced and demand. About 97 percent of futures investors never actually receive the commodity. What would a suit-wearing businessman living in Chicago do with 5,000 pounds of cotton? Rather, they close their initial investment with an offsetting position.

One of the most understood commodity trades is that of orange juice. A single orange juice future represents a barrel of 15,000 pounds of frozen concentrate orange juice. The two largest global suppliers of orange juice are the United States and Brazil. About 98 percent of The United States' orange juice production comes from Florida, a state at the constant mercy of destructive weather. The two main events which regularly shock the orange juice markets are frosts and hurricanes. Frosts refer to the time at which the orange fields experience freezing weather. Some hurricanes tear through Florida, damaging a large portion of the orange crop. This sudden decrease in supply sends orange juice futures soaring. Frosts are classified as either early or late. An early frost is good for the orange farmers, but a late frost may damage the crop or not allow the crop to ripen properly, again causing a supply shock and sending prices upward.

If you somehow knew a hurricane was going to destroy the entire orange crop in Florida, you could buy some orange juice futures. Once Mother Nature has run her course, you could then sell those futures at a generous profit rather than having the mailman bring a tanker of frozen juice to your doorstep.

For futures buyers, the profit is unlimited. Hypothetically, OJ could soar to millions of dollars per contract if global production was severely weakened. On the other hand, if oranges are found to cause teeth to fall out and global demand shrinks, a futures buyer can only lose her initial investment. However, if an investor had sold orange juice futures before that terrible discovery, she could make a nice gain by buying the contracts back at a lower price.

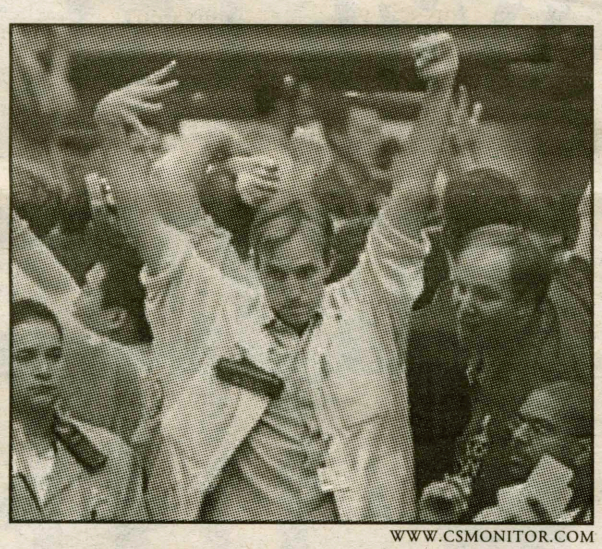
Investors can also speculate in commodities with options. Commodity options work exactly like stock options and provide the buyer with some amount of flexibility. The buyer can exercise his option to make a profit or simply sit on the option until expiration if the commodity price never exceeds the option's strike price.

Commodity "actuals" are very similar to the spot market for currencies. Actuals are used for immediate delivery. Actuals are not very popular because there is no opportunity for profit. Buying an actual is like going to The Gap and buying a t-shirt which is being delivered to the store tomorrow. In reality, if a business or individual wants to purchase a large amount of orange juice, pork bellies or oats, it is usually accomplished by directly contacting the seller, not through securities markets.

Finally, a forward contract is a one-time deal in which the seller agrees to provide the buyer with a fixed amount of the commodity for a set price in the future. Forwards differ from futures in that they can not be directly closed out with another transaction.

Commodities securities are traded all over the world as demand for virtually all commodities is global. The most popular foreign exchanges are in London, Winnipeg, Amsterdam, Sydney and Singapore. In the United States, the Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Mercantile Exchange, Kansas City Mercantile Exchange and Minneapolis Grain Exchange is where most commodity contract trading takes place.

The pits of the commodity trading floors are noisy and hectic. To the untrained eye, they may appear to be a bunch of grown men at a rock concert, but in reality, millions of contracts are trading hands every day. *Ferris Beuller's Day Off* and *Trading Places* are both movies that feature scenes of commodity exchange floors.



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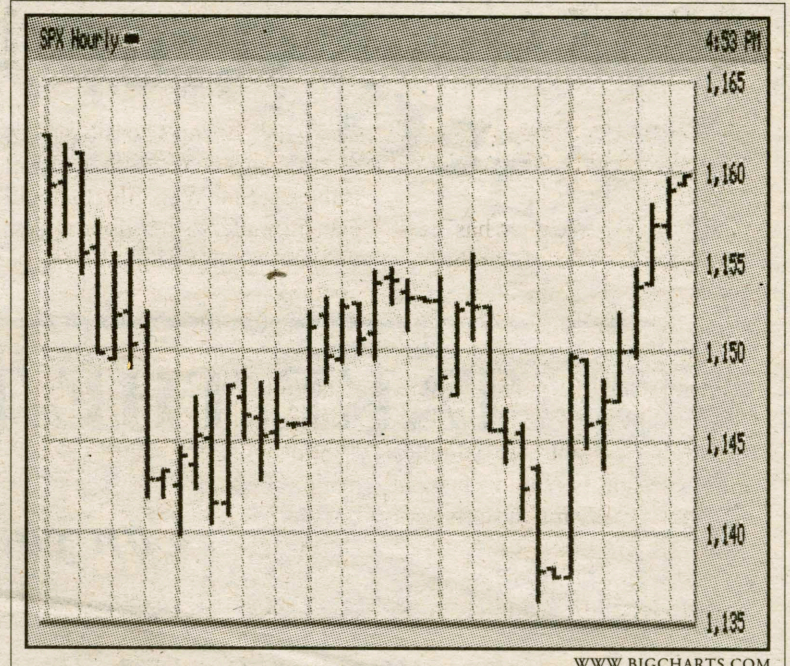


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**This chart portrays the S&P 500's movement over the past five trading days. On Thursday, it gained 22.45 points, but the surge may be attributable to short covering rather than real buying interest.**

# Financial market summary: 4/14-4/21

**by David Kelland '05**
*BUSINESS & ECONOMICS COLUMNIST*

U.S. stocks plunged over the past five days, before posting an impressive rally this Thursday. The mainstream media, as usual, tried to justify each move with a news event. For example, Intel and Yahoo! both beat Wall Street expectations by wide margins after the closing bell on Tuesday, April 19. The S&P 500 responded on Wednesday by shedding 17 points. The media cited a slight jump in the core Consumer Price Index, which was trivial in comparison to the earnings news, as the cause for the decline, leaving us with two possible conclusions: either the reporters don't believe their own stories or they're simply not paying attention.

The more plausible explanation for the selling would be that good news had already been built into stock prices and so any negative news would smake traders begin to sell, while the anticipated good news would be ignored.

Thursday's rally of 22 points in the S&P 500 warrants discussion. Is the bounce part of a longer move higher in stocks, perhaps to test the March highs, or did the short positions simply cover, sending stocks higher? A brief examination of the volume points to the latter conclusion. On a day of such large gains, we would expect huge volume, but the NASDAQ only traded about 2 billion shares compared to about 2.3 billion shares last Friday, when the index declined almost 40 points. That relatively light volume indicates that few "real" buyers bought stocks on Thursday. (The "unreal" buyers would be those covering short positions, waiting for another time to sell the market short). Without follow-through from the bulls Friday and into Monday, this is still a bear market correction. Key resistance for the S&P 500 stands around 1164.

Light sweet crude rallied $4 this week to close over $54 per barrel on Thursday. While oil will likely consolidate its gains for a couple of weeks, the bull trend is still intact and traders will be targeting the old high of $58.

The U.S. Dollar seems to have bottomed for the near term at least, trading on Thursday at 106.92 Japanese Yen. The Euro now buys only $1.30, down from $1.36 in late December. Across the big pond, the Nikkei 225, measuring share prices in Japan, has had its worst two weeks in more than a year. The Nikkei sank as much as 8.2 percent over just ten trading days. Weakness in U.S. stocks contributed to those losses.

On Wednesday, the New York Stock Exchange announced that it would buy Archipelago Holdings and that the combined firm would be publicly traded. Previously, the NYSE was not only private but non-profit. Archipelago runs an Electronic Communications Network, or ECN, which is essentially an electronic exchange that matches buy and sell orders. This merger should make the NYSE's transition to electronic trading much smoother. The NYSE currently uses a hybrid form of electronic and floor trading, but some question the long term viability of such a system.

# Arts & Entertainment

## 2005 summer movie preview

**by Whitney K Rothe '05**
*ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR*

Well, the weather has been pretty solid on the hill for the past few weeks. For some odd reason, barbecues, Frisbee games and sunbathing just seem to go with lightsabers, spaceships, robots, huge explosions and giant budgets. That's right: the summer movie season is coming fast, so fast that it pretty much starts next weekend. Here is a rundown of some highly anticipated releases (mostly based on the trailers).

*The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* - April 29

Based on the novel by Douglas Adams, *Hitchhiker's Guide* promises to be either a wet dream or a nightmare for most diehard nerds. It's always tricky to adapt a well-loved book, and it will be interesting to see if *Hitchhiker's Guide* can satiate the fans and also engage those viewers who have never read the book. The trailer promises all of the movie staples: a giant spaceship, CGI aliens, more than enough explosions and a robot voiced by Alan Rickman. Hell, that intergalactic rocket chase scene alone looks well worth the $10.50 (if you live in a metropolitan area).

*Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith* - May 19

Based on the script by George Lucas, *Star Wars III* also promises to be a wet dream for diehard fans or quite possibly the biggest disappointment in movie history. While George may have shot all expectations to hell with the horrendous *Episode I* and the not-great-but-better-than-*Episode I* *Episode II*, he can't possibly mess this one up, can he? Either way, it is the last Star Wars film that will ever be made, so that alone makes this one worth waiting in line on opening day. Of course only nerds care about that, so what really makes it worth waiting in line is the promise of huge space battles, Yoda kicking ass, the long anticipated duel, and the first time Darth Vader is on screen since 1983's *Return of the Jedi*. *Star Wars* has the ace up its sleeve in that it has lightsabers, and let's face it, lightsabers are pretty much the coolest thing ever created. And if all else fails, it can't possibly be worse than the *Matrix Revolutions*.

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**During Episodes I and II, Darth Vader was away moonlighting as the 4th tenor.**

*Batman Begins* - June 17

In the wake of the endless release of wretched superhero movies, *Daredevil*, *Elektra*, *The Hulk*, there is a time for one film to stand up and whip the pansy ass genre back into shape. That film is definitely *Batman Begins*. *Batman and Robin* pretty much left the franchise crippled with no one ever wanting to see a Batman movie again. This movie promises to bring the dark back into dark knight. Directed by Christopher Nolan (*Memento*) and starring Christian Bale, the movie is a prequel of sorts, based on the origin of Batman. The trailer shows images of Bruce Wayne training ninja style, and since ninjas are pretty much sweet, it seems unlikely that this movie is going to suck hardcore. Flips, more explosions, flying and did I mention tons of ninjas? Sweet.

*War of the Worlds* - June 29

Steven Spielberg. Tom Cruise. Based on a novel by H.G. Wells. The ladies may drool over Tom Cruise, but I drool over Steven Spielberg. Remember: Spielberg directed *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* and *ET*. This man knows his aliens. If this movie is half as good as their last collaboration, *Minority Report*, this one will be no *Time Machine*. For those who can't bear the wait, check out the original radio broadcasts from the 1930's.

*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* - July 2005

This film has Johnny Depp, Tim Burton, and a screenplay based on a wonderful book. This one is going to be dark, visually stunning and pretty twisted. Just don't anticipate any Oompa Loompa songs.

## Asian movie review

**by Noah Wright '08**
*ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT COLUMNIST*

Disclaimer: This review is written predominantly for members of the human race who possess Y-chromosomes. If you are not in possession of one of these chromosomes, I recommend you turn to some other section.

*Ong-bak* is the first Thai movie I've ever seen, and I must say, it kicked ass. It kicked a whole lot of ass. It kicked so much ass that Mudie probably should have written this review. I went into the movie knowing only two things about it. One, that there were no special effects used for the fighting - no wires, no CGI, nothing except for fake blood (at least, I hope it was fake). Two, that the star, Tony Jaa, had been called "the next Bruce Lee," which is one hell of a compliment to have to live up to.

So I sat down in my chair in front of my computer, opened the AVI file I downloaded, popped in the DVD, and found myself watching. . . Guys covered in mud climbing a tree? Actually, that part was pretty cool, it's the 20 minutes of talking afterward that trick you into thinking that some sort of "plot" will be the focus of the film. We learn that the head of a sacred Buddha statue called "Ong-Bak" has been stolen from the small village where the tree climbing took place. The village's most skilled monk, played by Tony Jaa, is sent off into the big city where the thieves have taken the statue's head. In the city, he seeks a former monk of the village who is now embroiled in the criminal underworld and has piles of debts blah blah blah-okay, so none of this really matters. What matters is the gratuitous quantities of ass kicking that ensue.

Tony Jaa uses Muay Thai, a form of martial arts relying primarily on the elbows and knees. I know what you're thinking, "Dude, elbows and knees? That's how a sissy fights!" and I would have agreed with you wholeheartedly before having seen this movie. All I know now is that as soon as the movie ended, I elbowed the guy next to me in the face. Okay, so I didn't, but I really wanted to. You must understand, Tony Jaa trained as a martial-artist for years before filming this, his moves are fluid and smooth: this guy knows what he's doing, and it's apparent in everything from his fight scenes to his crazy stunts.

Like the part where he leaps over the car. Like the part where he fights that guy who throws stuff at him. Like the part where he jumps through the hoop of barbed-wire (evidently they just carry those things around in big Thai cities). Like the part where the guy attacks him with a saw-blade, and he blocks it with his arms. A saw-blade. With his arms. Did I mention there are no special effects?

Before I wrap up this review, I have to answer the question on everyone's mind. "So Noah, is Tony Jaa the next Bruce Lee?" Maybe. I'll tell you after he comes out with a few more movies. For now, just see this one, it's freakin' sweet.

**4 out of 5.**

## Most badass TV show of all time: *24*

**by Tim Mudie '05**
*ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR*

When I grow up, I want to be Jack Bauer. Why do I want to be Jack Bauer? Simple: he's the most badass man who has ever lived. If you have seen even one episode of *24*, then you know just how true that is. Of course, if you've ever seen an episode of *24*, then you know how ineffably badass the entire show is. *24* stands out as the one show on television that has been consistently badass for every minute of every episode in its four year run. Think about it: nearly four full days of my life have been filled by beautiful badassness, all thanks to *24*. I challenge you to name any other show on television that has done this. (Don't even bother trying; you're wrong).

Clearly, the most badass part of *24* is Jack Bauer, played by Keifer Sutherland. Jack Bauer works for CTU (Counter-Terrorist Unit), which is a branch of the government that I'm pretty sure is not real. In a nutshell, his job is to stop terrorists by any means necessary. Now, I'm sure the government doesn't exactly condone the "any means necessary" part, but Bauer loves it. I mean, for a government agent, he sure breaks the law a lot. In any given episode, Bauer could shoot a prisoner, torture someone, knock out another government agent or steal a car/plane/helicopter. And he never gets in trouble because everything always works out at the end. It's great! Only Jack Bauer could make human rights violations look badass. But Bauer doesn't just abuse prisoners, he saves the world (well, at least America) on a regular basis. Think about it, assuming that he saves America this season, Bauer will have personally saved the country four times. That's not bad. I mean, I've only saved the world twice and I think that's pretty decent. But I'm still no Jack Bauer. But Jack Bauer, while supremely badass, is not the only badass aspect of *24*. Oh no, my friends, absolutely everything about *24* is badass. (Well, okay, Kim isn't badass, but she's hot. What's with her getting kidnapped all the time though? For real!)

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**For 24 hours, Jack Bauer has to survive explosions and the threat of nuclear holocaust, but he never forgets to call mom.**

*24*, while obviously being largely plot-driven, also focuses on character interaction. In a good season (I'm thinking about Season Two here, especially), the characters can be just as interesting as the plot. Seriously, the story about Mason was some excellent television; whoever the actor was should've gotten some sort of award. Then there's Tony and Michelle, falling in love while terrorists try to nuke L.A.; it's a strange set-up for a story, but it actually works in *24*. Of course, these stories are nowhere near as badass as the ones involving the terrorist plots. They're full of explosions, gun-fights and car chases; in short, everything that makes a movie or TV show badass. Adding to this is the fact that *24* is chock-full of twists that would make the *Sixth Sense* guy jealous. I actually forgot to breathe for so long at the end of Season One that I passed out and had to be resuscitated using CPR.

But there's one more truly badass aspect to *24*: President David Palmer. Damn, this man is the most badass, yet morally sound president ever. I would vote for him in any election. Literally, I would vote for the actor who plays David Palmer, that's how good he is. This is a man who stands by his convictions and doesn't take any shit from anyone, not terrorists, not political opponents, not even his wife (who is possibly the most evil woman ever). He's coming back this season, thank God, because the new President sucked.

You need to watch *24* to truly understand how badass (and terribly addicting) it is, and I hope that this article has inspired you to do so. It's on at 9 on Mondays on Fox, but you can rent the DVDs of the first three seasons. Just be careful because you'll probably end up watching episode after episode until your eyes stop working. It's that badass. Enjoy. And, oh yeah: Palmer in 2008!

# A cappella insanity ensues for accepted students

**by Allison Kerbel '05**
*COPY EDITOR*

Four fabulous a cappella groups rocked a chapel full of prospies, parents and students Tuesday night. If you missed it, never fear - not only am I about to recap the evening's festivities, not only can you hear a recording of the concert (and everything else that has ever gone on at Hamilton) in the Media Library, but you can also catch those crazy a cappella kids again during senior week (or next year ... whoa).

Hamilton's oldest all-female group, *Special K*, kicked off the concert, getting the audience involved and psyched with hand-clapping, j-snapping and a cappella that definitely sounded good to me. With sixteen members, several of whom are new this semester, some wondered if the group had given birth ... and who the lucky father(s) might be. Perhaps *K* has been EATing SMA lately? Anyway, the audience was treated to both old favorites and new material, focusing especially on *Special K*'s seniors. Their rendition of the classic "Love the One You're With" was particularly awesome, featuring the vocal talents of the lovely Emily Lemanzyk '05 as well as some sweet rhythmic clapping.

Next up, the co-ed *Hamiltones* opened their set with the duet "Cruisin'," the song from the movie *Duets* that let the world know Gwyneth Paltrow could sing - who knew? The soloists, Oliver Buskin '06 and Sarah Zeigler '05, cruised up the center aisle in a sexy little Pow-pow-power Wheels convertible. And that was only the start of the *'Tones'* antics, which ranged from Buffer-bashing to Spice Girls choreography to Julie Young '07 recreating the "No Rain" video as a tap-dancing bumblebee. And we can't forget their tribute to Michael Jackson in his time of need, featuring Brian Tilley '05 as the King of Pop. Totally sweet. Good times were had by all, especially when Ryan Burns '05 drove the Power Wheels back down the aisle - in reverse.

Once the way was cleared of *'Tones* and miniature vehicles, the hottest, sexiest, smartest, and most talented group of the night took the stage. Oh, did I mention I'm a member of *Tumbling After*? In my humble opinion, we rocked - I mean, come on, our set was chock full of wehr-nehr's (i.e., the ridiculous syllable a cappella nerds use to imitate electric guitars). Special kudos to Oriana Barros '06 for her sweeeeeet guitar solo in "Carry On, Wayward Son," and to Karin Ariel Walbrand '06 and Kit Schofield '05 for performing beautifully on the very challenging (and extremely high) song "Fear." *Tumbling After* sang and danced!

Last, but never least, the *Buffers*. They sounded great, even better than usual. And when they were funny, they were hilarious (although when they weren't, they really weren't). Instead of the traditional what-the-tour-guide-says-what-the-tour-guide-really-means skit, the boys in bucks opened with a what-if skit, in this case, what if Moses attended Hamilton College? Apparently, he would part the Bundy beer line, encounter a slightly different kind of burning bush, free his people from Pharaoh JHS and her science pyramid, discourage the *Buffers* from idle/idol worship and get thrown to the ground under a pile of sexy blazer-sporting men. Then, he would join the Buffers and tell jokes about Johnny Cochran, the late pope, Terri Schiavo, *Special K*, Gamma Xi, explosive diahrrhea and how Ben Critton '06 in a red puffy vest bears a strange resemblance to the walking talking pitcher-of-KoolAid dude. Tasteless, insulting, disgusting and oh-so-pretty - pretty much par for the course.

All in all, two thumbs up for all involved!

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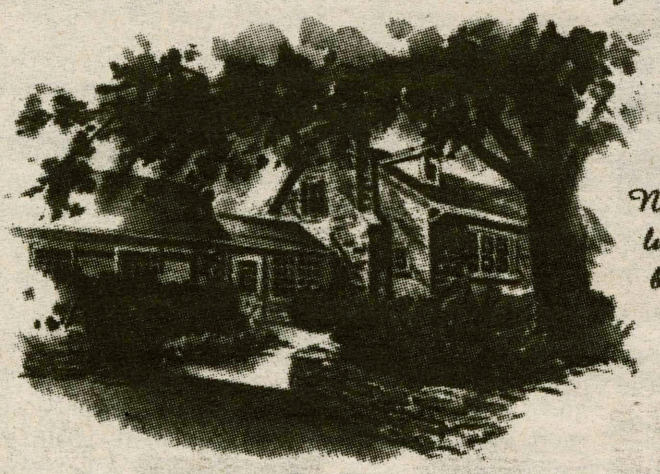

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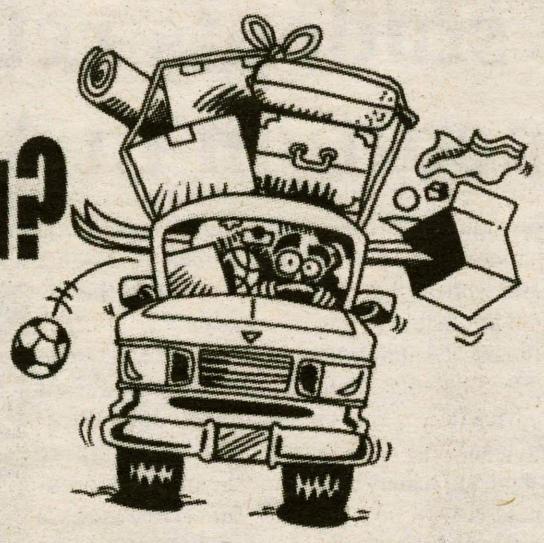

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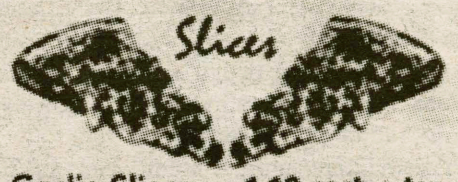


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# Science & Technology

## Geology faculty and students return from ground-breaking expedition in Antarctica

**by Laura Trubiano '07**
*SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY WRITER*

Hamilton geology students and faculty returned in March from a month long research expedition in Antarctica. Hamilton has been participating in the program, funded by the National Science Foundation, since 1987, but this year's trip literally broke new ground.

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**Three Hamilton students and three faculty members recently completed a month-long voyage in Antarctica, which was funded by the National Science Foundation.**

This expedition was the first ever to reach the area where the Larsen B ice shelf broke off a few years ago; severe ice conditions prevented the 2004 cruise from reaching the area.

"It was exciting to be in a place where no one had ever been before. We were literally in uncharted waters," said Katherine McMullen, co-director of the Antarctica Program.

In addition to mapping and surveying the new coastline, the objective of the expedition was to study the area to determine whether events like recent ice shelf break-ups have occurred in the past or if they are unprecedented, due to the effects of global warming.

"Our research raises interest on the impact of global warming," said Professor of Geology Eugene Domack, one of the faculty members who participated in the trip.

The Larsen ice shelf is the third largest ice shelf system in the Antarctic and at one time covered an area of approximately 81,850 square kilometers.

"Such large and catastrophic changes in the extent of the Larsen ice shelf have important implications for the stability of the Antarctic Ice Sheet as a whole. They certainly change the local, and eventually, the regional heat exchange between the ocean and the atmosphere," according to the paper published by participants of the 2000 Antarctica trip.

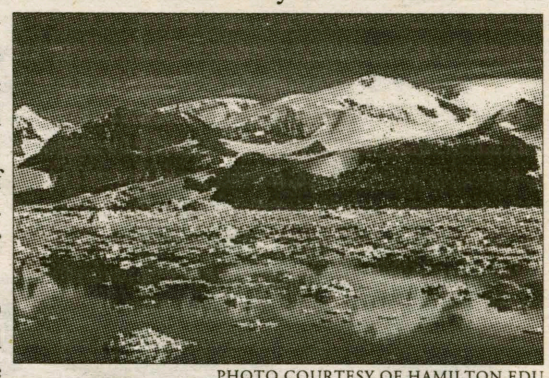
Hamilton faculty included Domack, McMullen, and Geology Technician Dave Tewksbury. Students included Ashley Hatfield '05, Gemma Kirkwood '05, and Heather Schrum '05.

The Hamilton participants met the rest of the expedition team, which included faculty and students from several U.S. and international institutions, in Punta Arenas, Chile, where they boarded the RV L.M. Gould, the vessel they spent the four weeks living and working on.

Tewksbury kept a web log from the trip to keep the rest of us here on the hill updated. It can be found at www.hamilton.edu/news/exp/antarctica/2005/.

After being delayed because of rough sea conditions getting through the Drake passage in crossing, the weather and ice conditions were good in Antarctica.

"With the favorable conditions, we were able to achieve all of our objectives. This was one of the most successful expeditions," said Domack.



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**The group studied the effects of global warming on the break-up of icebergs.**

The ship stopped at several stations around the area of interest. At each station the team deployed several instruments to study the water and sediment, including a CTD, which measures conductivity, temperature and depth at various stages in a water column; a grab sampler, which collects a small sample of the sea floor; a photographic camera system; and a Kasten core, the main tool to sample the ocean floor. They also put some moorings in the water to collect sediment over the next year. The results are still being analyzed, but some important discoveries were made.

Since the first cruise in 1987, Hamilton has taken over 100 undergraduate students on the Antarctica expedition.

"This is an exceptional program. This is real science most students, even grad students, don't have the opportunity to do," said Domack.

## *New treatment to help drug addicts*

**by Lindsay Rubenstein '07**
*SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY WRITER*

There is a new drug in town that is proving to be extraordinarily successful in the treatment of opiate and cocaine addictions, according to the American Psychological Association. This drug, buprenorphine, was first released in the United States in 2002, when it became the fourth drug available to opiate abusers.

Buprenorphine, or "bupe" as it is commonly known, is an analgesic, which serves to reduce cravings for drugs such as heroin. In the past almost all heroin addictions were treated with methadone, another member of the opiate family.

Methadone, however, does not provide the "clear-headedness" that users report after being treated with buprenorphine. Also, addicts seem to prefer the privacy that accompanies buprenorphine, which can be administered in a doctor's office rather than a public methadone clinic.

Due to its longevity, low risks of overdose, and the ease of withdrawing from the drug, doctors are also reporting a preference for buprenorphine.

The problem with buprenorphine, however, is its inaccessibility. The federal government has limited the distribution of the drug to 30 patients per doctor or medical practice at any given time. Not only does this put an overall limitation on the accessibility of buprenorphine, but it makes prescriptions even harder to get in areas with high levels of heroin use.

Doctors have accumulated long waiting lists of addicts who are interested in recovery, but cannot receive the necessary medications due to federal limitations.

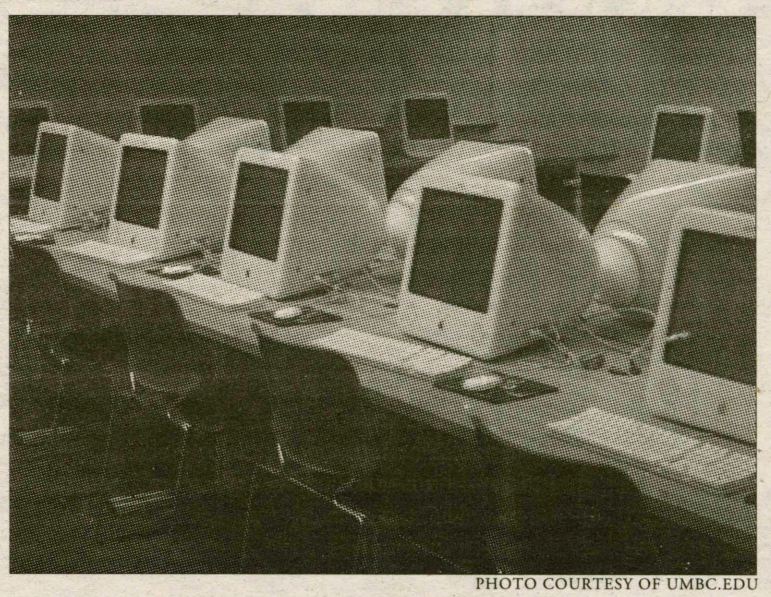
In 2004, a bill supporting the removal of this limit for multiple physician practices was passed in the Senate but defeated in the House of Representatives. There are currently more bills regarding the removal of restrictions on buprenorphine prescriptions pending in the Senate.

At this time, however, the limitations are posing more of a problem than ever as buprenorphine gains familiarity and becomes more popular with recovering addicts.

## Recent study finds spread of bacteria on keyboards to be a danger in hospitals

**by Caitlin Rochford '06**
*SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDITOR*

The spread of certain strains of bacteria has become an increased concern in hospitals, according to a study released by the Northwestern Memorial Hospital on Monday, April 11, 2005. This study found that these bacteria are being spread from the keyboards of the hospitals' computers.



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**A recent survey conducted by the Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, IL, found the spread of germs by keyboards in hospitals to be a growing problem.**

Northwestern Memorial Hospital released results from a study that showed that bacteria can live for up to 24 hours on computer keyboards. Results from this study showed that this could be an increasing problem in hospitals, where doctors or nurses may touch a keyboard and then transfer the bacteria from the keyboard to patients, according to CNN.com.

The spread of bacteria from keyboards is becoming a growing problem due to the increase in electronic medical files used in hospitals. According to CNN.com, Medical Director of Health-Care Epidemiology at Northwester Memorial Dr. Gary Noskin said, "The emerging trend in hospitals is to have electronic health records... some hospitals are putting computers in every patient room."

The study consisted of the contamination of several keyboards with three different bacteria. The first, Enterococcus faecium, is the bacteria responsible for abdominal, skin infections, and urinary tract infections, as well as some infections of the blood. Staphylococcus aureus (Staph), is the bacteria responsible for skin rashes, boils, blisters, and toxic shock syndrome (TSS), and Psuedomonas aeruginosa, is the bacteria responsible for pneumonia and some other infections. Both the Enterococcus faecium and the Staph bacteria are resistant to common antibiotics.

The study showed that both of the drug-resistant bacteria were capable of surviving for up to a full day on the keyboards, while the Pseudomonas aeruginosa survived only one hour. The study also found that simply touching the keyboard was enough to transmit the bacteria.

The study was presented at a meeting of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America. Noskin said that the only way to prevent the spread of these bacteria would be through frequent hand washing.

"Hands are washed before treating a patient, but hand washing prior to computer use is superfluous. Most hospitals are not aware of this," Noskin said, according to CNN.com.

# Softball improves offensively

PHOTO BY BOBBY COLE '06

**Lindsey Eaton is the only pitcher for the softball team; the squad has been reduced to just nine players but continues to stay competitive.**

**by Matt Bradley '07**
*SPORTS WRITER*

The Hamilton softball squad recently finished up two difficult series' against Middlebury College and St. Lawrence University this past week. Hamilton hosted Middlebury this past Saturday for an important NESCAC doubleheader. Hamilton then hosted St. Lawrence this past Wednesday, April 20 in another taxing doubleheader. While the Continentals dropped both series, they showed some definite improvement offensively.

Hamilton had a tough time against the explosive hitting demonstrated by Middlebury. They proved to be a difficult opponent for the struggling Hamilton squad. On the mound, Lindsey Eaton '05 held off the Middlebury lineup in the first inning, keeping the Panthers scoreless after one. The Continentals had a difficult second inning, however, giving up five runs as the Panthers tore up the plate. At the end of the second inning, Middlebury enjoyed a comfortable 5-0 lead over Hamilton. Then, with momentum from the previous inning, Middlebury picked up three more runs in the third to easily secure the game. The first game of the doubleheader ended with an 8-0 Middlebury victory. Erica Gomez '05, who was recently moved to catcher due to personal trouble, has stepped up her play lately. She was the only Hamilton player to get a hit against the seasoned Middlebury defense.

The second game of the doubleheader was equally frustrating for Hamilton. Luckily, however, the Continentals were able to put up a run in their second game. The Hamilton batting order showed signs of life in the second game, recording seven hits against Middlebury. Sarah Cornblath '08 knocked in Hamilton's lone run in the sixth inning. Unfortunately, it could not compare to the nine runs Middlebury already racked up earlier in the game, five of which, were scored earlier that inning. Eaton and Jen Sadowsky '08 led Hamilton's offense, picking up two hits each. Gomez picked up her second hit of the day, while Colby Bishop '06 also added one. The game ended 9-1 in Middlebury's favor. It was an important conference match-up for the Continentals. It will definitely affect their NESCAC rankings.

Hamilton was much more productive offensively in its recent doubleheader against St. Lawrence. The Continentals hosted the Saints this past Wednesday in a wet doubleheader. Hamilton came out explosively in the first few innings, keeping St. Lawrence scoreless after five innings. Thanks to the hitting of Sadowsky, among others, the Continentals held a 3-0 lead going into the sixth. Unfortunately, however, St. Lawrence battled back in the sixth and seventh innings, picking up five unanswered runs. Eaton had a successful day on the mound, but fatigue was a problem late in the game. "Lindsey pitched a hell of a doubleheader," said Tracy Zaino '05 about her co-captain. "especially on a bad back." In fact, Eaton did rack up an impressive eight strike outs in the first game against St. Lawrence. Also, Caitlin McGilly, who recently joined the squad, earned an important RBI on one hit. She also crossed the plate once for Hamilton, making her presence crucial to the early success of the Continentals.

**"We have the potential to do well against Williams and Union in our upcoming game because all the parts are finally coming together."**
**— Lindsey Eaton '05**

Fatigue also proved to be fatal for the Continentals in the second game against the Saints. As was the case in the first game, Hamilton pulled ahead early, enjoying a 3-0 lead after five innings. It was the sixth inning, however, when the Saints finally broke down the exhausted Continentals. St. Lawrence picked up a heart-wrenching eight runs in the top of the sixth, giving them an 8-3 lead. St. Lawrence then picked up two more runs in the seventh inning to finish off Hamilton.

The game ended 10-2 in the favor of St. Lawrence. Gomez and Sadowsky led the offensive for Hamilton, picking up two hits each. Sadowsky picked up two of Hamilton's three RBI while Cornblath added the other. But, it was not enough to make up for St. Lawrence's huge sixth inning. "We played strong defensively in the first part of both games," said Zaino. "We let gave up one big inning each game, and it cost us."

Hamilton will be traveling to Williamstown, MA tomorrow to take on the Ephs of Williams College. The 1pm Saturday afternoon game is an important conference match-up for the Continentals. The squad showed some serious offensive potential in the series against St. Lawrence. Hamilton hopes to pull it together and come away with an important NESCAC win. "We have the potential to do well against Williams and Union in our upcoming game because all the parts are finally coming together," said Eaton. "We have the players, the fielding, the hitting, and the pitching. We just need to eliminate our bad innings, and we'll be fine."

# Hamilton tennis destroys Union 7-0

**by Michael Proia '05**
*SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR*

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**Zach Kahn '06.**

**HAMILTON ROUNDUP**

Men's tennis co-captain **John Pearson '05** won his seventh straight singles match in leading Hamilton to a forceful 7-0 shutout victory against Union College at the Scott Field House on April 20. Hamilton, which improved to 7-6 overall this season, won six of its last seven matches to finish the spring with a winning record for the second consecutive season.

Pearson advanced his singles record to 9-7 this year with a 6-3, 7-6 (7-3) win at fourth flight. Co-captain **Duncan Cameron '05** won his team-high tenth match of the year with a 6-4, 6-2 decision at third flight. **Reid Snyder '08** improved to 7-5 after dominating by scores of 6-1, 6-1 to win at fifth flight.

**Dan Gordon '08** won a difficult match 7-5, 7-5, at first flight. **Zach Kahn '06** picked up a win as well with his 6-3, 6-3 victory at second flight. **John Pew '08** was a 6-3, 6-4 winner at sixth flight in his second singles match this spring.

The Continentals won two out of three doubles matches. Cameron and Gordon improved to 5-2 at first flight with an 8-5 victory. Pearson and Kahn are now 5-1 at second flight after an easy 8-0 win.

Hamilton will compete in the New England Small College Athletic Conference Championships at Amherst College from Friday, April 22, through Sunday, April 24. Friday's action begins at noon, and play begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

## GOLF

The Hamilton golf team finished in seventh place out of 16 varsity teams at Skidmore College's 19th Annual Joseph C. Palamountain Invitational on April 18. Hamilton finished at 659, including 330 on the first day. The two-day tournament was held at a pair of par-72 courses. Saratoga Spa State Park Course hosted the first day and McGregor Links Country Club was the site for the final day.

**Chris Pike '07** led the Continentals with a 158 total for the two days. Pike rebounded from an opening round 83 to fire a three-over-par 75 on Monday. He tied for 13th place out of 85 golfers.

**Blake McLennan '07** shot a pair of 83s and finished at 166. **Matt Gardner '06** shot a 79 on Sunday and ended up two strokes behind McLennan. "The real" **Mike Hayes '08** shot an 85 on each day of the tournament for 170. **Jim Burns '08** rounded out the group with a two-day total of 173.

Hamilton will have one more tournament before the Division III Championships when it competes in the District One Division III Shootout on Saturday and Sunday, April 23-24. The event will be held at Taconic Golf Course in Williamstown, Mass.

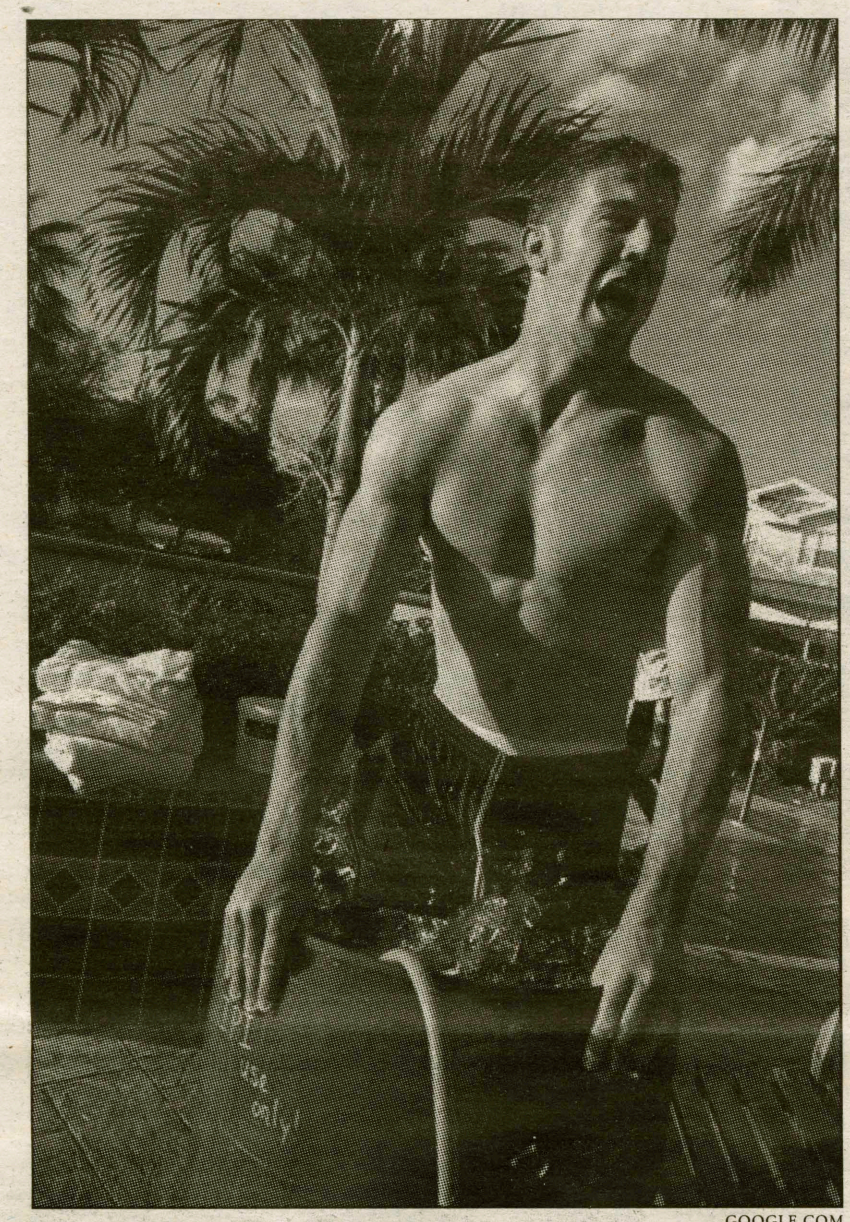
## LIBERTY LEAGUE HONORS

Men's lacrosse player **Jim Henry '05** and men's tennis player **Reid Snyder '08** were honored by the Liberty League on April 18 when the league selected its weekly award winners.

Henry was named a co-Offensive Performer of the Week after scoring four goals and assisting on six others in Hamilton's 1-1 week. This is the third time he has been honored by the league this year. Henry leads the league in points per game and is second in goals and assists per game.

Snyder was selected the Rookie of the Week after helping Hamilton to a 4-3 win against Hobart College on April 13 by winning his sixth flight singles and third flight doubles matches. Snyder is the second Continental to receive a men's tennis league Rookie of the Week award. Dan Gordon '08 has been chosen three times. Snyder has won five of his last six singles matches to improve to 6-5 this year.

# 2005 NFL Draft:



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**Aspiring Abercrombie and Fitch coverboy Alex Smith of Utah could be the No. 1 pick.**

**by Michael Proia '05**
*SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR*

The 2005 NFL Draft is upon us, and it starts Saturday at noon on ESPN. And the San Francisco 49ers are on the clock:

**1. San Francisco: Alex Smith, QB, Utah.** Don't believe anything you hear about the Niners not wanting to negotiate with Smith's agent. The Niners are simply playing hardball to lower the price a little bit. Smith is the player they want, and as long as they can bring down the back end of the contract numbers, Smith will be starting in the Bay area next season.

**2. Miami: Aaron Rodgers, QB, Cal.** New coach Nick Saban is from the Bill Belichick school of coaching and team management. Like the recent Super Bowl Champions, the Dolphins will not try to build a team around a top running back. Saban will build around a young quarterback ending the Feilder/Feeley/Rosenfels era in Miami.

**3. Cleveland: Braylon Edwards, WR Michigan.** Romeo Crennel would prefer to get a run stopping defensive tackle with a pick this high, but since there are none worth taking, he will draft the best available offensive weapon for his team. The Browns already added Trent Dilfer to take the offense and Kellen Winslow will come back strong. The Browns have a solid running game, so Edwards is the perfect complement to the offense.

**4. Chicago: Ronnie Brown, RB, Auburn.** The Bears have Rex Grossman at the helm, and Muhsin Muhammed coming in as the premier wide receiver in the NFL, bar none. So what better way to help them out than putting a stud running back behind them? Brown has the best body, speed, and all-round game among the running backs, and Chicago will not be able to let him slip any further. Any Bears fans who pray this isn't another Curtis Enis can rest easy, Brown is the real deal.

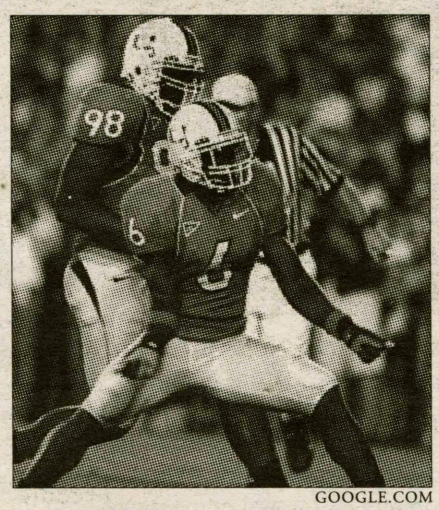
**5. Tampa Bay: Carnell Williams, RB, Auburn.** The Bucs have had solid but unspectacular running backs the last few years. But "Cadillac" Williams is a horse of a different color, and can flat out run over people even at the highest level. The fall from glory has been a fast one in Tampa, and the lack of draft picks over the last two years has hurt them, but this is a big first step in rebuilding the offense.

**6. Tennessee: Antrel Rolle, CB, Miami.** Kevin Dyson is on his way out of town, so the Titans will take the best defensive back available. Rolle is a big, strong corner with a flare for the dramatic and enough of a chip on his shoulder not to get pushed around even as a rookie. He may not have the best top speed, but he's fast enough to warrant a top 6 pick.

**7. Minnesota: Mike Williams, WR, USC.** Randy Moss and the constant headache are gone from Minnesota, so now the Vikings can go out and bring in a new number one wide receiver. Williams is the biggest receiver to enter the draft in a long time, dwarfing most of his fellow wideouts. And despite a year off from football, he might be the single most talented player in the draft. Don't be surprised if he moves to tight end in the league, a la Shannon Sharpe.

**8. Arizona: Cedric Benson, RB, Texas.** Talk of a trade with Buffalo for Travis Henry will die out, and the Cardinals will take this pick and bring in another top rusher, this one from the Big 12. Benson had strong games against some top defenses in his career, and will not be overwhelmed taking on NFL tacklers. Any other year, Benson is a top 5 pick.

**9. Washington: Adam Jones, CB, West Virginia.** "Pac Man" can turn on the jets in a hurry and run with anyone in the league. He also works wonders as a returner. The Redskins are still looking for a replacement to Champ Bailey, and this is the perfect fit to go with last year's top choice Sean Taylor.



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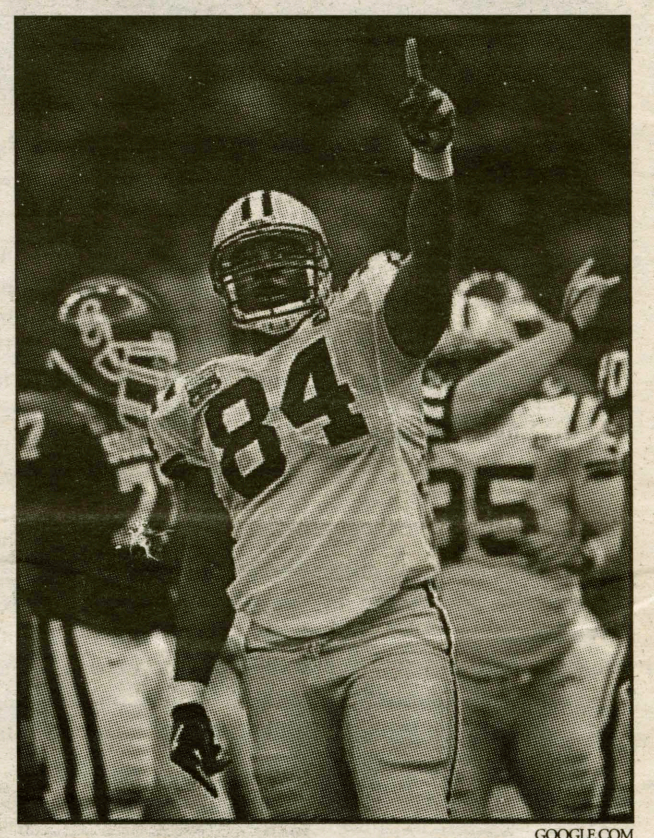
**Miami's Antrel Rolle will be celebrating after the NFL picks this weekend.**

**10. Detroit: Derrick Johnson, LB, Texas.** Simply put, there is no one else to take in this spot in the draft. Johnson is a good player but undersized for his position. The Lions defense will take all the help they can get, but this is a forced pick.

**11. Dallas: DeMarcus Ware, DE, Troy.** Ware is a versatile player who can play both outside linebacker and defensive end. Parcells knows he has to rebuild his defense after an atrocious 2004 campaign, and he knows that starts in the trenches.

**12. San Diego: Marcus Spears, DE, LSU.** Spears has a rare combination of size and speed and is ideal for a 3-4 defense. The Chargers had a great year last year but the defensive line needs help so this is a perfect fit.

**13. Houston: Alex Barron, OT, FSU.** David Carr has been sacked more times in his first two years as a starter than any quarterback in more than a decade. A left tackle to protect his blindside could be an early Christmas gift for Carr, who has spent the better part of his career getting up off the turf after every play. Barron can step right in for the worst pass blocking line in the league.



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**College junior Marcus Spears is leaving LSU behind to head to the NFL.**

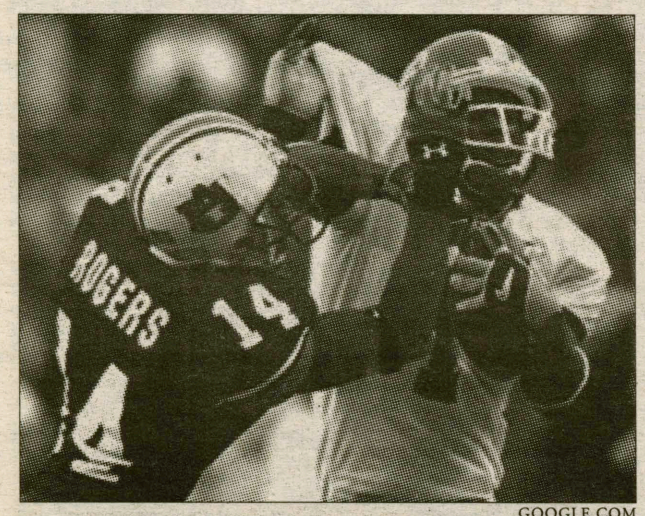
**14. Carolina: Mark Clayton, WR, Oklahoma.** Muhammed is gone but the Panthers still have Steve Smith and a great running game. Clayton will take plenty of attention away from Smith's deep routes by running precision patterns. Clayton is also a burner when he gets the chance to go long, posting one of the fastest 40 times in the combine.

**15. Kansas City: Shawne Merriman, DE, Maryland.** Hopefully KC has finally realized the current group of players they have will not take them to the playoffs. The defense is the worst in the league, so they should use every pick on the best available defensive player. At this spot, that's Merriman.

**16. New Orleans: Thomas Davis, S, Georgia.** Tebucky Jones was not the answer for the Saints, who need a lot of help in the secondary this year. Davis is a big safety who may end up playing linebacker for NO, but they could use the help there so it works out either way.

**17. Cincinnati: Carlos Rogers, CB, Auburn.** Marvin Lewis will want to make big strides with his defensive unit and Rodgers is a lockdown corner with great ball skills and strength. This could be a big difference maker in the late season playoff push this year.

# Football's Hottest New Prospects



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**Carlos Rodgers may be headed to the Midwest to continue his football career.**

**18. Minnesota: Dan Cody, DE, Oklahoma.** Minnesota gets to use its second pick to make up for some blown picks in past years. That's if they make it to the podium in time this year. Cody is extremely athletic, and hustles all the time. A good pick to play along side Chris Hovan.

**19. St. Louis: Jammal Brown, OT, Colorado.** "The Pancake Man" Orlando Pace worked out pretty well for the Rams at left tackle, so why not go for a right tackle? Brown may not have the reputation of Pace, but he is not much smaller and has long arms and quick feet. Good pick for the Rams to help give Mark Bulger more time to find his targets.

**20. Dallas: Troy Williamson, WR, South Carolina.** Williamson has great deep speed and if Drew Bledsoe gets enough time, he can hit the deep slants all day long. Just don't ask Drew to hit the go routes, it's not going to happen.

**21. Jacksonville: Marlin Jackson, CB, Michigan.** What better preparation could a college corner have for the NFL than playing against Braylon Edwards in practice every day? Jackson has the size and speed to start in J-ville, so what's not to like?

**22. Baltimore: Roddy White, WR, UAB.** The Ravens have the defense, they have the running game, and a quarterback with a strong arm. All that's missing is someone to throw the ball to, and White can fix that in a hurry. He averaged 20 yards per catch last year, so you know he loves to get downfield fast and make plays.

**23. Seattle: David Pollack, DE, Georgia.** The real question about Pollack is what position will he play in the NFL? He has great career sack numbers, but his body reminds many of Teddy Bruschi who had a similar college career. I think Pollack will fit in nicely as a versatile outside linebacker who puts a great rush on quarterbacks.

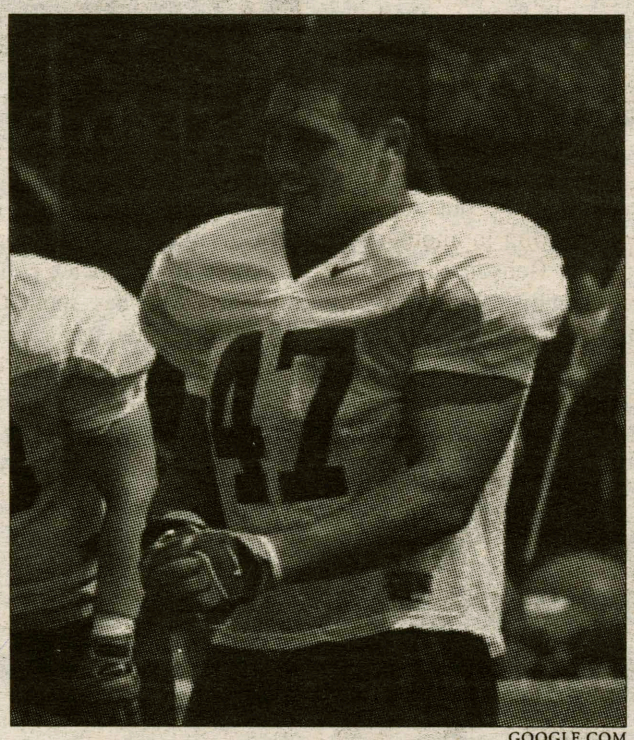
**24. Green Bay: Erasmus James, DE, Wisconsin.** The Packers defense was one of the worst tackling units in the league this year, and that starts with linemen not occupying enough blockers to let linebackers get into the backfield. James helps that out in a big way.

**25. Washington: Jason Capbell, QB, Auburn.** A potential rival to Patrick Ramsey for the starting job, but not worth the 2005 third round pick, and a first and fourth round pick in 2006. This begs the question, are Dan Snyder and Joe Gibbs INSANE????

**26. Oakland: Fabian Washington, CB, Nebraska.** Washington is the fastest and most athletic corner in the draft, but he lacks the spize and ball skills to go higher than this. The Raiders will happily add him to their secondary though.

**27. Atlanta: Shaun Cody, DE, USC.** The Falcons defense needs reworking on the front line and Cody will be a good fit to play with some of the players they have in place. Cody learned the basics playing under Pete Carroll at USC and will not disappoint the Falcons fans.

**28. San Diego: Khalif Barnes, OT, Washington.** Barnes is not a stud lineman but he will help the Chargers find more room for Ladanian Tomlinson next season. The Chargers offense struggles mightily in the playoffs against the Jets, and the lack of a running game has to start with the offensive line.



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**Georgia's David Pollack has a lot to smile about: he's one of the most versatile players entering the draft, a top pick, and an All-American.**

**29. Indianapolis: Matt Roth, DE, Iowa.** Dwight Freeney is a great pass rusher but is completely one dimensional, even admitting he doesn't care about stopping the run. That means offensive lines play 5 on 3 on running plays so the Colts better have three top run stoppers next to Freeney. Roth can rush the passer adequately and stop the run, so it's a solid pick.

**30. Pittsburgh: Corey Webster, CB, LSU.** Another big strong corner who can help a secondary that was toasted by Tom Brady in the playoffs last year.

**31. Philadelphia: Matt Jones, WR, Arkansas.** The Eagles some serious questions at wide receiver right now because TO and Freddie Mitchell don't seem to interested in playing for them. Jones is a converted quarterback and this may be a little high, but he has shown all the necessary skills in workouts.

**32. New England: Barrett Ruud, LB, Nebraska.** The Champs ran into an unexpected offseason crisis when captain Teddy Bruschi had a stroke. Bruschi may return to football eventually but he will not be back this year, so the Pats need to fill the void with a sideline to sideline player. Ruud has great playmaking abilities, though no one can replace Bruschi.

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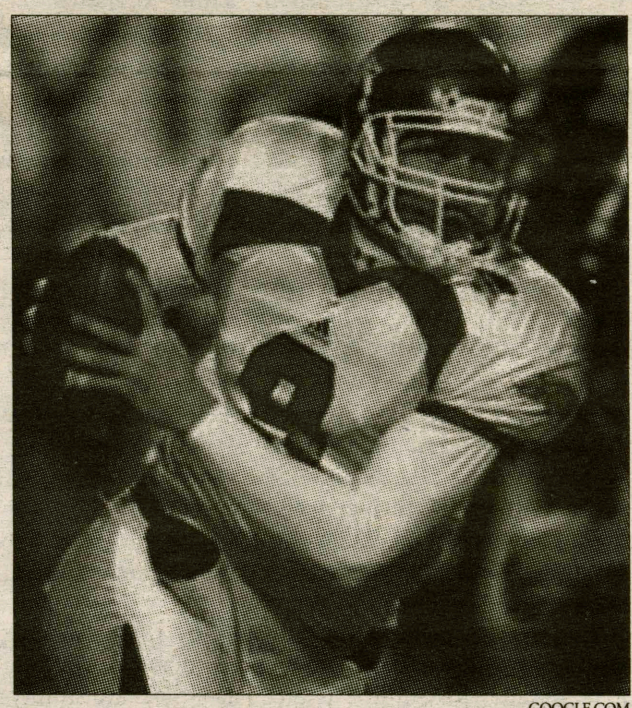
**Mark Clayton has one of the fastest times in the 40-yard dash.**



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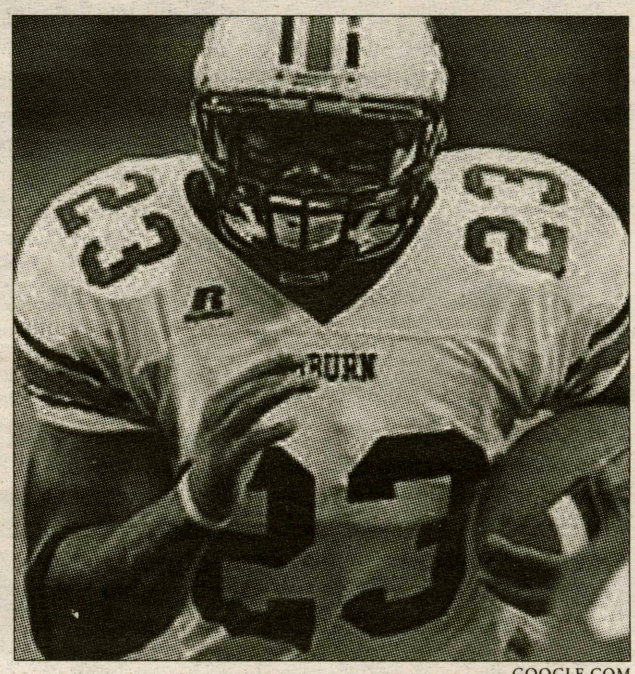
**Matt Jones is leaving Arkansas and converting from quarterback to wide receiver to enter the draft and hopefully get a top pick.**



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**Ronnie Brown is widely considered the best running back in the draft.**

# HC baseball team sweeps rival Utica

## Conts go 0-2 versus Middlebury, but earn close victory over Utica College

**by Andrew Dassori '07**
*SPORTS EDITOR*

This past week Hamilton's baseball team faced major adversity with two straight losses to NESCAC West Rival Middlebury College but bounced back in style with a triumphant win over Utica College, completing their season sweep of the crosstown rival Pioneers.

In their series against Middlebury, the Continentals kept it competitive throughout the first game but struggled at the plate in their final two games of the weekend.

The first game was started by the team's ace, Paul Kibbe '05, who had a tough time handling the Middlebury batsmen at Forbes field as he gave up nine earned runs on twelve hits in six and a third innings while striking out one. Chris Keen '06 finished out the game with two earned runs and one strikeout in an inning and two thirds.

At the plate, freshman Dan Hood '08 led the Continentals with three hits and two runs batted in. Hood also played great defensively behind the plate and continues to impress with his play despite his youth. Eric Villanova '06 and Adam Lavallee '05 also contributed offensively with two hits apiece.

The second game against the Panthers marked the beginning of Hamilton's offensive problems, as they only put up one run while they gave up a season-high 19. Bryden Considine '08 pitched the first two innings, then Kevin Coppola '07, Mike Stahl '06, and Chris Gardner '06 combined to pitch the next four. This combination of pitchers gave up a total of fourteen earned runs, as five were unearned, before the game was cut short.

Matt Hartnett '07 had the only multi-hit game for the team during the tough loss.

Unfortunately, the team's struggles did not stop there, and their next game featured a similar offensive performance. Hamilton managed only five hits and two runs in their final game of the season, and Middlebury won the game 10-2 to complete their sweep of the Continentals.

Patrick Suarez '07 and Justin Parker '06 each contributed RBIs to the team's cause, but this was not enough to pick up a win. Jamie Mathews '06 pitched six solid innings and gave up five earned runs but was not helped by Hamilton's spotty play in the field. Gardner finished out the game with two scoreless innings and a strikeout.

In their return to Central New York, the team did not let these losses hold them back. Though their game at home against Utica College went down to the wire, they were able to snap out of their offensive funk with 17 runs and a game-winning grand slam from their designated hitter, John Porges.

In this game, Hood was once again tremendous at the plate, going five for five with two RBIs. Porges and Lavallee each had three hits to lift the Continentals above Utica 17-13. Though Coppola started the game, Keen picked up his second win of the season with his inning of relief that closed out the exciting game.

The team will play NESCAC West rival Amherst College at home this weekend on April 22nd and 23rd. With only two weeks left, this is one of the last opportunity to see the baseball team in action, so come out and support your Continentals as they try to pick up some wins against a NESCAC rival.

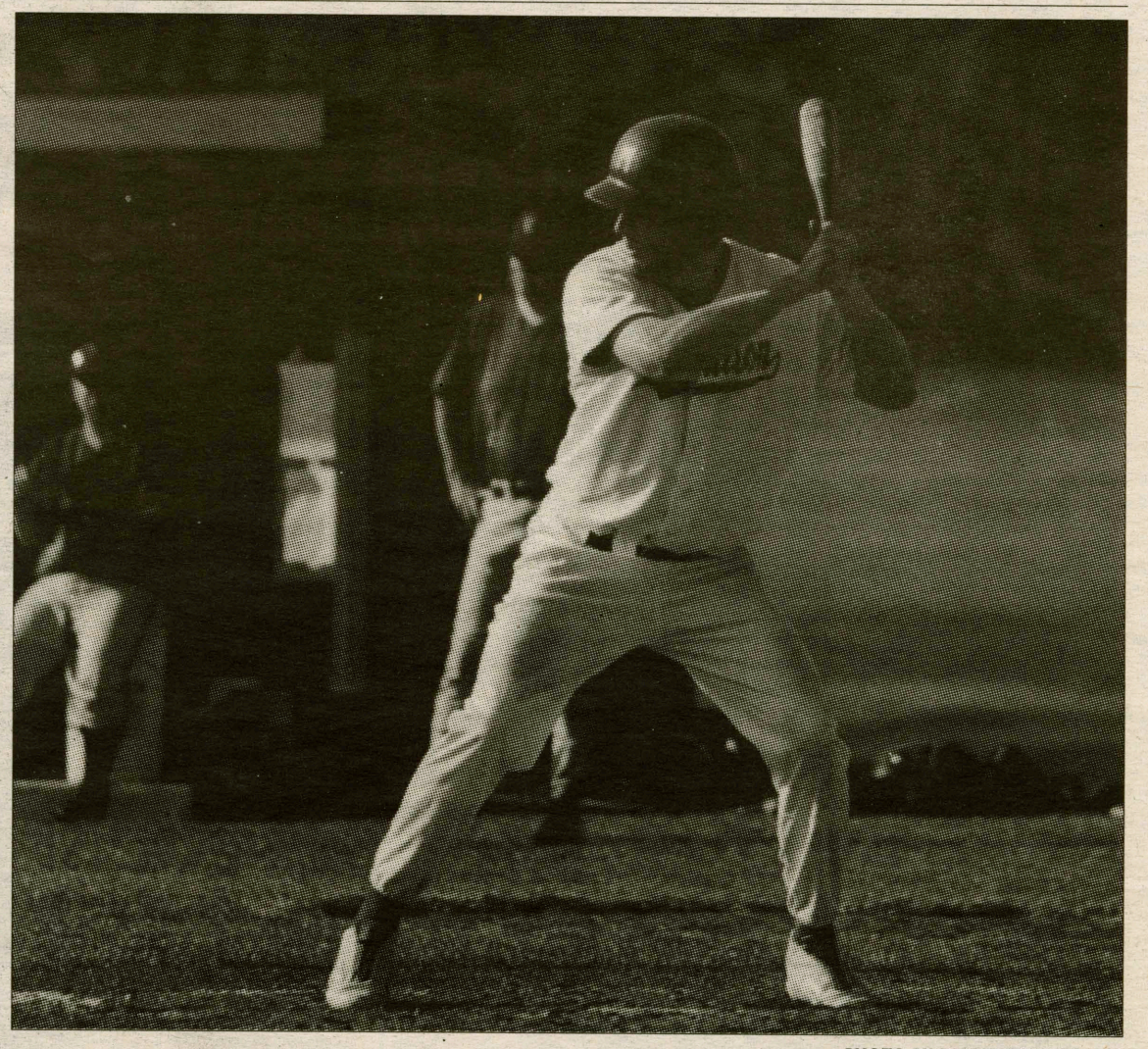
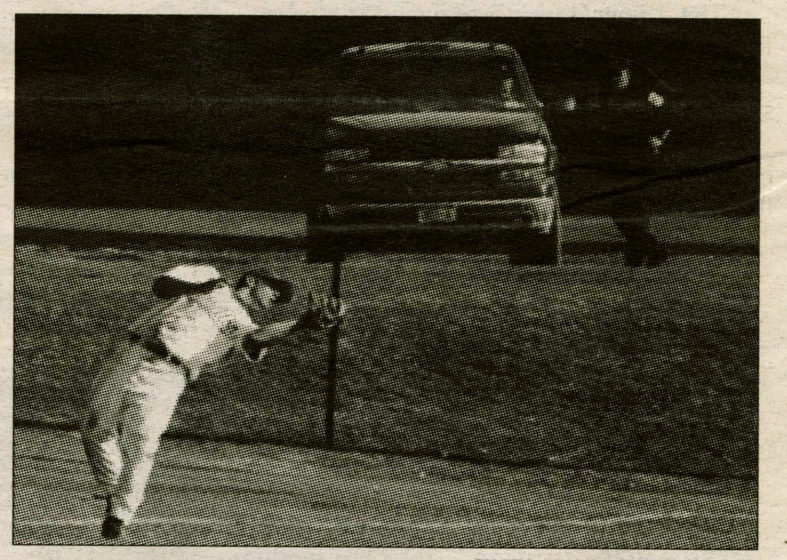


PHOTO BY DAN WITTENBERG '07

**Pat McGarry is hitting .342 this season while contributing three homeruns; this sophomore player has also has 22 RBI.**



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**Campus Safety took time to enjoy the game last week.**

# Beat the Experts

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| **Season Record:** | **44-18** | **39-23** | **42-20** | **34-26** | **34-23** |
| **NBA** | | | | | |
| Indiana @ Boston | Celtics | Celtics | Pacers | Celtics | Celtics |
| Houston @ Dallas | Mavericks | Rockets | Mavericks | Mavericks | Mavericks |
| Denver @ San Antonio | Spurs | Spurs | Spurs | Spurs | Nuggets |
| Washington @ Chicago | Wizards | Wizards | Wizards | Wizards | Bulls |
| Philadelphia @ Detroit | Pistons | Pistons | Pistons | Pistons | Pistons |
| New Jersey @ Miami | Heat | Nets | Heat | Heat | Heat |
| Memphis @ Phoenix | Suns | Suns | Suns | Suns | Suns |
| Sacramento @ Seattle | Sonics | Sonics | Sonics | Sonics | Kings |
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| Houston @ St. Louis | Astros | Astros | Astors | Cardinals | Astros |
| Baltimore @ Toronto | Orioles | Orioles | Orioles | Blue Jays | Orioles |

# Track & field teams compete in Championships

## Hamilton track and field places third at the Liberty League meet

**by Chris Schimpf '07**
*SPORTS WRITER*

This past weekend, the men's and women's track teams hosted the Liberty League Championships, where they each placed third. The women's team came so close to moving up to second place, as they finished a miniscule three points behind RPI.

On the men's side, Steve Butterhof '05, competing in his first and last Liberty League Championship, took first place in the shot put with a distance of 15.06 meters. Other notable performances on the men's side included Olamide Harrison '05, who participated in his first meet of this outdoor season, and finished in second in both the 100 and 200-meter events.

In addition, Kyle Graham '06, beat his school record for the second straight week, as he jumped 4.27 meters, finishing in second place. Allan Guiney '08 continued his excellent spring season by finishing second in the grueling 1,500 meter run, while Luke Thornblade '07 ran the even longer 10k race and finished in third place. Also performing in his final League Championship, Chris Dunn '05 finished a solid third in the 800-meter run coming in with a time of 1:57.35.

The women's team was anchored this past weekend by three first place finishes by Adrienne Isaac '05, Kary Pardy '08 and the 3,200-meter relay team. For the second straight year, Hamilton swept the top three positions in the triple jump, as Isaac, Jen Orbaker '07 and Lauren Steats '07 placed in that order. The 3,200-meter relay team consisting of the Indoor Track Liberty League Rookie of the Year Rachel Bennek '07, Ruth Leoniuk '05, Anne Harleman '08, and Becky Mackenzie '08, blew away the competition on their way to winning the event.

In addition to these performances, Orbaker finished second in the high jump, and Leoniuk placed third in the 800-meter run. Other notable performances included the always entertaining Naomi Krakower '07, who finished third in the 100-meter sprint, and Amanda Salisburg '08, who finished third in the pole vault.

The good news for the Continentals is that they are a very young squad on both the men's and women's side, and will look to dominate the competition next year, as well as in the next coming weeks. Hamilton's track and field team is hosting a meet this coming Saturday and will perform in the the NESCAC's and the ECAC's in the next coming weeks.

PHOTO BY NICK LUND '05

**Britten Chase scored a goal against Rochester, moving her season total up to 11.**

# Successful weekend for lacrosse

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broken 25 seconds later when Stots began a three goal scoring run. Barrett, Belmont, and Longley also scored and the Continentals had a solid 7-2 lead as they finished the first half.

Longley was the first player to score in the second half. William Smith scored three times during the second half, but could not keep pace with the Continentals. Barrett had two more goals; Stots and McGowan also had repeat goals bringing Stots' total for the day to four and McGowan's to two. Belmont finished off the game by scoring off a free position shot with two seconds left in the game. Hamilton walked away with a 13-5 win over their Liberty League rival.

Stots leads the team in goals this season with 36, followed by Nicole Tetreault '08 with 25, and Belmont with 17. Belmont has had nine assists, making her the team leader, followed closely by Stots (8).

The Continentals will face tough competition this weekend from Union and Skidmore: all three teams are tied for first place in the Liberty League. Union is on a seven game win streak after a rough start to the season. The Dutchwomen beat St. Lawrence University 16-11, while SLU handed Hamilton one of it's few loses of the season on April 9 in a close 12-11 match-up. The Continentals will play Skidmore on Saturday at Saratoga Springs, NY. Skidmore lost to Union on April 12 and is coming off a tough 17-0 shutout from Middlebury. The Thoroughbreds also defeated SLU earlier in the season with a score of 9-3.

## Hamilton College Team Records

**As of April 22, 2005**

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| **Baseball** | **6-15** | **Softball** | **2-16** |
| **Men's Lacrosse** | **10-2** | **Women's Lacrosse** | **9-3** |
| **Men's Tennis** | **7-6** | **Women's Tennis** | **9-1** |

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# Spectator Sports

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PHOTO BY NICK LUND '05

**Hamilton goalie Ethan Shoemaker clears the ball after a big save against Clarkson**

## Vassar falls to Continentals

**by Nick Rockwell '08**

*SPORTS WRITER*

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| Hamilton | 21 |
| Vassar | 5 |

The men's lacrosse team bounced back from a heartbreaking loss to Clarkson, beating league opponent Vassar College and nationally ranked Hartwick College. The team now stands at 2-2 in the Liberty League and 10-2 overall. There are only two regular season contests left. Both are league games the first of which comes this Saturday when the Continentals will welcome a loaded Skidmore team to the Hill. Skidmore has not lost a Liberty League game this year and thus sits atop the standings. Hamilton can secure a playoff bid with a win Saturday.

Last Saturday the Continentals took out their frustration against a weaker Vassar squad. The team jumped out to a commanding lead; the scoreboard at the end of the first quarter showed the Buff and Blue up five goals to none. The opening frame showcased Hamilton's balanced attack as Clark Winter '07, Jack Newton '06, George Earle '05, Jim Henry '05 and Marc Albu '08 all found the twine. The team continued their relentless attack through the second quarter and into the halftime intermission. In fact, Hamilton out shot the Brewers 24 to eight in the first half, and 49 to fifteen in the game. The lopsided score allowed Head Coach Gene McCabe to rotate many lines in. David Pasternak '08, Chris Piatelli '07, Blake Keogh '05 and John-Henry Forester '08 each picked up their first goal of the season. Team depth and confidence will certainly be instrumental for the Conts' success as they head down the stretch and aim for the post-season. The game ended with a score of 21-5, marking the highest goal total the team has registered this season. Coach McCabe was pleased that "so many people were able to contribute. We were really firing on all cylinders, which is nice to see." Henry, a Captain and the team's leading scorer, finished with three goals and four assists. With his performance against Vassar, Henry moved into a tie for second with Calvert Burkhart '83 in career goals (96) and also tied for second with 90 career assists.

On Wednesday the Continentals traveled to Oneonta, New York to face a formidable opponent in Hartwick College. Although Hartwick is not in the Liberty League, the game promised to give the Buff and Blue a great challenge heading into their big game this Saturday. The scoring was evenly balanced until the second half when the Continentals started to distance themselves from their opponent. Jack Newton '06 could not be stopped all day, dominating the helpless Hartwick goaltender and defense. The junior attackman accounted for half of the team's goals, finishing with seven on the day. However, team defense and goaltending really set the tone. Sophomore Ethan Shoemaker '07 finished with twelve saves, including a highlight reel stuff on the crease followed by a clear in which he jumped over a downed Hartwick attackman. Defenseman Nate Harris '07 said that "we shut them down with a zone defense in the second half." That suffocating defense coupled with Newton's offensive prowess resulted in a 14-11 Continental victory. The weekday road win in the driving rain has the team brimming with confidence as they look to Saturday's showdown with league leader Skidmore.

Skidmore is undefeated in league play (3-0) and has been playing well of late, winning eight of its last nine games. The top four teams in the league receive post-season berths, thus Hamilton, at 2-2, needs a win especially if they hope to play at home in the tournament. A home playoff game would come on class and charter day, which could potenetially draw a large, enthusiastic crowd and give the Conts a definite edge. Coach McCabe emphasized the importance of this weekend's game noting that "beating Skidmore will put us back in the driver's seat for securing a spot in the tournament. The game Saturday will make or break the season. We need a lot of support and a huge crowd to help us win." Hamilton College students, professors, alumni and parents should heed Coach McCabe's advice and turn out in substantial number to the Hill.

## Women's lacrosse tied for 1st place

**by Katie Childs '08**

*SPORTS EDITOR*

The women's lacrosse team is on a roll after winning its third straight game on Saturday and moving into a tie for the top spot in the Liberty League. The Continentals hosted the University of Rochester and William Smith College during their senior weekend and came out victorious in both games, leaving them with a 9-3 overall record and Nunber 11 national ranking.

It was a true team effort that propelled the women's lacrosse team to a win over the University of Rochester on Friday, April 15. Nine players scored goals for the team. Hamilton came out strong with three quick goals by Liz Longley '07 in the first 1:24 minutes of play. The Yellowjackets responded and within ten minutes had a 4-3 lead over Hamilton. The Continentals scored the next five goals with Nikki Barrett '08 contributing two and one each from sophomores Inga Stots '07, Meggie Morrissey '07, and Suzy Belmont '07. After two Rochester goals, Hamilton headed into halftime with an 8-6 lead.

Stots was unassisted when she gave Hamilton its first two goals of the second half. Jen McGowan '08, Britten Chase '05, Rose Deng '07, and Meaghan Carrigan '07 each contributed a goal in the second half; Belmont added two to the score. Rochester came as close as 11-8, but Hamilton held on to its lead and ended with a 16-9 score.

Hamilton faced William Smith on Saturday for the last regular season home game for the four senior players: Amanda Hollis '05, Christina Trabandt '05, Danielle Levine '05 and Chase. McGowan scored the first goal of the game off a free position shot, but William Smith tied the game with 21:13 left in the first half. That tie was

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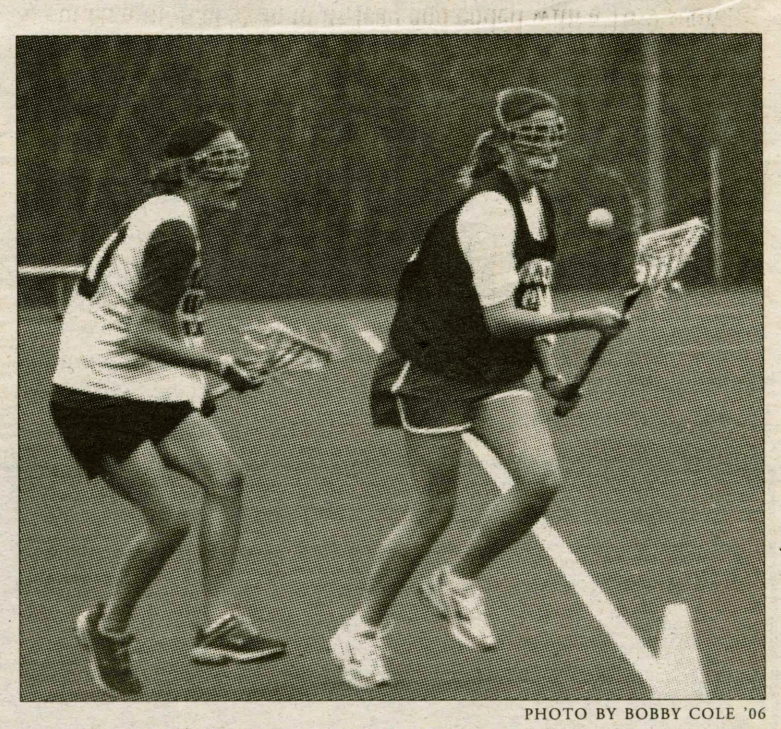

PHOTO BY BOBBY COLE '06

**The Women's lacrosse team will face the two teams who are tied with them for first place in the Liberty League: Union and Skidmore.**

### WEEKEND COMPETITION

**Union**
**8-3 overall**
**5-1 Liberty League**
**Fri. 4 p.m. @ Union**

**Skidmore**
**9-3 overall**
**5-1 Liberty League**
**Sat. 2 p.m. @ Skidmore**